

Public safety, civil rights groups battle over face ID tech

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SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — San Francisco is on track to become the first U.S. city to ban the use of facial recognition by police and other city agencies, reflecting a growing backlash against a technology that's creeping into airports, motor vehicle departments, stores, stadiums and home security cameras.

Government agencies around the U.S. have used the technology for more than a decade to scan databases for suspects and prevent identity fraud.

But recent advances in artificial intelligence have created more sophisticated computer vision tools, making it easier for police to pinpoint a missing child or protester in a moving crowd or for retailers to analyze shoppers' facial expressions as they peruse store shelves.

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In this Oct. 31, 2018, file photo, demonstrators hold images of Amazon CEO Jeff Bezos near their faces during a Halloween-themed protest at Amazon headquarters over the company's facial recognition system, "Rekognition," in Seattle.

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Efforts to restrict its use are getting pushback from law enforcement groups and the tech industry, though it's far from a united front. Microsoft, while opposed to an outright ban, has urged lawmakers to set limits on the technology, warning that leaving it unchecked could enable an oppressive dystopia reminiscent of George Orwell's novel "1984."

"Face recognition is one of those technologies that people get how creepy it is," said Alvaro Bedoya, who directs Georgetown

University's Center on Privacy and Technology. "It's not like cookies on a browser. There's something about this technology that really sets the hairs on the back of people's heads up."

Without regulations barring law enforcement from accessing driver's license databases, people who have never been arrested could be part of virtual police line-ups without their knowledge, skeptics of the technology say.

They worry people will one day not be able to go to a park, store or school without being identified and tracked.

Already, a handful of big box stores across the U.S. are trying out cameras with facial recognition that can guess their customers' age, gender or mood as they walk by, with the goal of showing them targeted, real-time ads on in-store video screens.

If San Francisco adopts a ban, other cities, states or even Congress could follow, with lawmakers from both parties looking to curtail government surveillance and others hoping to restrict how businesses analyze the faces, emotions and gaits of an unsuspecting public.

The California Legislature is considering a proposal prohibiting the use of facial ID technology on body cameras. A bipartisan bill in the U.S. Senate would exempt police applications but set limits on businesses analyzing people's faces without their consent.

Legislation similar to San Francisco's is pending in Oakland, California, and on Thursday another proposed ban was introduced in Somerville, Massachusetts.

Bedoya said a ban in San Francisco, the "most technologically advanced city in our country," would send a warning to other police departments thinking of trying out the imperfect technology. But Daniel Castro, vice president of the industry-backed Information Technology and Innovation Foundation, said the ordinance is too extreme to serve as a model.

"It might find success in San Francisco, but I will be surprised if it finds success in a lot of other cities," he said. San Francisco is home to tech innovators such as Uber, Airbnb and Twitter, but the city's relationship with the industry is testy. Some supervisors in City Hall are calling for a tax on stock-based compensation in response to a wave of San Francisco companies going public, including Lyft and Pinterest.

At the same time, San Francisco is big on protecting immigrants, civil liberties and privacy. In November, nearly 60% of voters approved a proposition to strengthen data privacy

guidelines.

The city's proposed face-recognition ban is part of broader legislation aimed at regulating the use of surveillance by city departments. The legislation applies only to San Francisco government and would not affect companies or people who want to use the technology. It also would not affect the use of facial recognition at San Francisco International Airport, where security is mostly overseen by federal agencies.

The Board of Supervisors is scheduled to vote on the bill Tuesday.

San Francisco police say they stopped testing face recognition in 2017. Spokesman David Stevenson said in a statement the department looks forward to "developing legislation that addresses the privacy concerns of technology while balancing the public safety concerns of our growing, international city."

Supervisor Aaron Peskin acknowledges his legislation, called the "Stop Secret Surveillance Ordinance," isn't very tech-friendly. But public oversight is critical given the potential for abuse, he said.

The technology often misfires. Studies have shown error rates in facial-analysis systems built by Amazon, IBM and Microsoft were far higher for darker-skinned women than lighter-skinned men.

Even if facial recognition were perfectly accurate, its use would pose a severe threat to civil rights, especially in a city with a rich history of protest and expression, said Matt Cagle, attorney at the ACLU of Northern California.

"If facial recognition were added to body cameras or public-facing surveillance feeds, it would threaten the ability of people to go to a protest or hang out in Dolores Park without having their identity tracked by the city," he said, referring to a popular park in San Francisco's Mission District.

Local critics of San Francisco's legislation, however, worry about hampering police investigations in a city with a high number of vehicle break-ins and sev-

eral high-profile annual parades. They want to make sure police can keep using merchants and residents' video surveillance in investigations without bureaucratic hassles.

Joel Engardio, vice president of grassroots group Stop Crime SF, wants the city to be flexible.

"Our point of view is, rather than a blanket ban forever, why not a moratorium so we're not using problematic technology, but we open the door for when technology improves?" he said.

Such a moratorium is under consideration in the Massachusetts Legislature, where it has the backing of Republican and Democratic senators.

Often, a government's facial recognition efforts happen in secret or go unnoticed. In Massachusetts, the motor vehicle registry has used the technology since 2006 to prevent driver's license fraud, and some police agencies have used it as a tool for detectives.

"It is technology we use," said Massachusetts State Police Lt. Tom Ryan, adding that "we tend not to get too involved in publicizing" that fact. Ryan and the agency declined to answer further questions about how it's used.

Massachusetts Sen. Cynthia Creem, a Democrat and sponsor of the moratorium bill, said she worries about a lack of standards protecting the public from inaccurate or biased facial recognition technology. Until better guidelines exist, she said, "it shouldn't be used" by government.

The California Highway Patrol does not use face recognition technology, spokeswoman Fran Clader said.

California Department of Motor Vehicles spokesman Marty Greenstein says facial recognition technology "is specifically not allowed on DMV photos." State Justice Department spokeswoman Jennifer Molina said her agency does not use face ID technology, and policy states "DOJ and requesters shall not maintain DMV images for the purpose of creating a database" unless authorized. □

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Former U.S. President Jimmy Carter has surgery for broken hip

By SUDHIN THANAWALA
Associated Press

ATLANTA (AP) — Former U.S. President Jimmy Carter broke his hip Monday at his south Georgia home when he fell while leaving to go turkey hunting, a spokeswoman for the Carter Center said.

The 94-year-old former president was treated in Americus, Georgia, near his home in Plains, and was recovering comfortably after successful surgery, spokeswoman, Deanna Congileo, said in a statement.

His wife of 73 years, Rosalynn, was with him, Congileo said.

In an indication Carter was in good spirits, Congileo said Carter's main concern was that he had not reached his limit on turkeys

with the shooting season ending this week.

"He hopes the State of Georgia will allow him to roll over the unused limit to next year," the statement said.

In a Tweet, President Donald Trump wished Carter a speedy recovery, saying the former president was in great spirits when they spoke recently.

"He will be fine," Trump said. In March, Carter became the longest-living chief executive in U.S. history, exceeding the lifespan of former President George H.W. Bush, who died Nov. 30 at the age of 94 years, 171 days.

The milestone came despite a cancer diagnosis more than three years earlier. Carter disclosed in

2015 that he had melanoma that had spread to his liver and brain. He received treatment for seven months until scans showed no sign of the disease.

"I've had a wonderful life," he said at the time he revealed the cancer. "I've had thousands of friends, I've had an exciting, adventurous and gratifying existence."

Carter's legacy since leaving office has long overshadowed his rocky White House tenure, where he lost after one term amid a U.S. hostage crisis with Iran. He and Rosalynn founded the Carter Center in Atlanta in 1982 to focus on global human rights issues.

The center has monitored elections around the world and worked to resolve



In this Sept. 18, 2018 file photo, former President Jimmy Carter speaks during a news conference, in Plains, Ga.

Associated Press

conflicts and eradicate disease, including guinea worm.

The former president and first lady still live in Plains, a town of about 750 where they were born, raised and

married.

A devout Christian, Carter regularly teaches Sunday school at Maranatha Baptist Church, drawing hundreds of visitors to Plains for each session. □

Vermont renames Columbus Day as Indigenous Peoples' Day

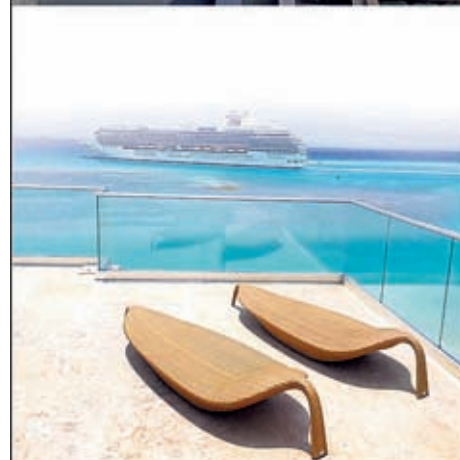
MONTPELIER, Vt. (AP) — Vermont has joined a handful of states in renaming Columbus Day to honor Native Americans. Republican Gov. Phil Scott signed a bill May 6 recognizing the second Monday in October as Indigenous Peoples' Day. A half-dozen states, including Vermont, and several cities have made the change.

The governors of Maine and New Mexico signed similar measures last month. Native American tribes

and others say celebrating Italian explorer Christopher Columbus ignores the effect that the European arrival in the Americas had on the native peoples.

They suffered violence, disease, enslavement, racism and exploitation at the hands of the settlers.

Vermont's law states that "Vermont was founded and built upon lands whose original inhabitants were Abenaki people and honors them and their ancestors." □



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Rosenstein: Russia probe justified, closing it wasn't option

By **MICHAEL BALSAMO** and **ERIC TUCKER**

Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Fresh out of his job as deputy attorney general, Rod Rosenstein said Monday that the Justice Department's investigation into Russian election interference was "justified," that he would have never allowed anyone to interfere with it and that closing it had not been an option.

He also took aim at former FBI Director James Comey, characterizing him as a "partisan pundit" busy selling books and earning speaking fees. The barbs continued an extraordinary public spat between the two law enforcement officials, coming days after Comey said in a television interview that he didn't view Rosenstein as a person of high character.

The speech before a Baltimore advocacy group for business and civic leaders marked Rosenstein's most expansive remarks on the recently concluded probe into Russian election interference and potential coordination between the Trump campaign and Russia. In it, Rosenstein repeatedly distanced himself from President Donald Trump — who has decried the investigation as a hoax and witch hunt — and sought to burnish a legacy for himself as a protector of the Justice Department's independence who tried to do what he thought was right regardless of public criticism.

"I was responsible for overseeing that investigation," Rosenstein said, according to his prepared remarks. "I knew from preliminary briefings with the agents and prosecutors that it was an important investigation. If it was not done correctly,



Deputy Attorney General Rod Rosenstein speaks during a farewell ceremony in the Great Hall at the Department of Justice in Washington, Thursday, May 9, 2019. Rosenstein is set to step down as Deputy Attorney General May 15th.

there would always be lingering doubts about the scope of Russian efforts and the extent of American involvement.

"I would never have allowed anyone to interfere with the investigation," he added.

Rosenstein's resignation took effect last week, but the speech Monday night made clear he is likely to remain a public figure in the months ahead and underscored a desire to explain and even justify a decision-making process that has come under heavy scrutiny by Democrats and Republicans alike.

He used his speech, his second of the day, to defend some of the most contentious actions of his tenure, including his role in Comey's firing — he wrote a memo the White House held up as justification for it — and his subsequent appointment of special counsel Robert Mueller to lead the Russia investigation.

He said Mueller's appointment was necessary to preserve public confidence in the Justice Department and to resolve the investigation in a way that would protect America from foreign adversaries. He said he knew not everyone was

happy with the move — a likely reference to Trump and congressional Republicans — and it would be unpleasant for him and his family.

"But at my confirmation hearing, I promised that I would conduct the investigation properly and see it through to the appropriate conclusion," Rosenstein said. "In my business, you keep promises. And in my business, the appropriate conclusion is the one that results when you follow the normal process and complete an independent investigation."

Perhaps his most pointed

comments were reserved for Comey, whom he had criticized in a May 2017 memo for his handling of the Hillary Clinton email investigation, including his decision to publicly announce that the FBI was not recommending charges.

He said in his speech that though he did not blame Comey for being upset with him, "now the former Director is a partisan pundit, selling books and earning speaking fees while speculating about the strength of my character and the fate of my immortal soul."

"That is disappointing," Rosenstein added. "Speculating about souls is not a job for police and prosecutors. Generally we base our opinions on eyewitness testimony."

He also said the memo was "correct" and "reasonable under the circumstances," even if Trump's reasons for firing Comey were different from his own.

Two days after firing Comey, Trump acknowledged in a television interview that he was thinking of "this Russia thing" when he made the move.

Rosenstein said no one had told him what reasons for firing Comey should be put in the memo — though Mueller's report says Rosenstein had been asked to reference Russia, a request it says he rejected — and said he was never told that dismissing Comey was meant to shut down the investigation. He said he did not believe that firing Comey would affect the investigation.

In a clear break from Trump, though, he said that if he had been in charge of Comey's firing, "the removal would have been handled very differently, with far more respect and far less drama." □

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Jury: Monsanto to pay \$2 billion in weed killer cancer case

By PAUL ELIAS
Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A jury on Monday ordered agribusiness giant Monsanto Co. to pay a combined \$2.055 billion to a couple claiming that the company's popular weed killer Roundup Ready caused their cancers.

The jury's verdict is the third such courtroom loss for Monsanto in California since August, but a San Francisco law professor said it's likely a trial judge or appellate court will significantly reduce the punitive damage award.

The state court jury in Oakland concluded that Monsanto's weed killer caused the non-Hodgkin's lymphoma Alva Pilliod and Alberta Pilliod each contracted. Jurors awarded them each \$1 billion in punitive damages in addition to a combined \$55 million in compensatory damages.

A federal jury in San Francisco ordered the weed killer maker in March to pay a Sonoma County man \$80 million. A San Francisco jury last August awarded \$289 million to a former golf course greens keeper who blamed his cancer on Monsanto's Roundup Ready herbicide. A judge later reduced the award by \$200 million.

The three California trials were the first of an estimated 13,000 lawsuits pending against Monsanto across the country to go to trial. St. Louis-based Monsanto is owned by the German chemical giant Bayer A.G. Bayer said Monday that it would appeal the verdict.

"The verdict in this trial has no impact on future cases and trials, as each one has its own factual and legal circumstances," the company said.

The company noted that none of the California verdicts has been considered by an appeals court and that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency considers the weed killer safe.

The EPA reaffirmed its position in April, saying that the active ingredient glyphosate found in the weed killer posed "no risks of concern" for people exposed to it by any means — on farms, in yards and along roadsides, or as residue left on food crops.

"There is zero chance it will stand," said University of California, Hastings School of Law professor David Levine. He said the ratio between the \$2 billion in punitive damages and \$55 million in compensatory damages is too high. He said judges rarely allow punitive damages to exceed four times actual damages awarded.

The California Supreme Court ruled in 2016 that any punitive damages exceeding 10 times the compensatory damages are likely unconstitutionally high. The court didn't propose a ratio it felt correct, but said punitive damages should almost never exceed nine times actual damages, it said.

The punitive damages awarded Monday are 36 times the actual damages. The lawsuits have battered Bayer's stock since it purchased Monsanto for \$63



In this Feb. 24, 2019, file photo, containers of Roundup are displayed on a store shelf in San Francisco.

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billion last year and Bayer's top managers are facing shareholder discontent.

Chairman Werner Wenning told shareholders at Bayer's annual general meeting in Bonn last month that company leaders "very much regret" falls in its share price. At the same time, CEO Werner Baumann insisted that "the acquisition of Monsanto was and remains the right move for Bayer."

Bayer's stock price closed Monday at \$15.91 a share, down 45 cents or 2.76 percent per share, in trading on the New York Stock Exchange. The verdict was announced after the trading session closed.

Bayer's share price has lost half its value since it reached a 52-week high of \$32.80 a share. □

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Clash over Woodstock 50 fest's prospects plays out in court

By JENNIFER PELTZ

Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — Woodstock 50 festival organizers and their onetime financial partner traded accusations of broken promises as they argued Monday over whether the anniversary show can go on.

With under 100 days to go, the two sides clashed in a New York courtroom over money, control, changes in plans and whether it's still feasible to hold the event, scheduled for Aug. 16-18 at Watkins Glen International racetrack. The hearing is set to continue Tuesday.

Organizers insist they're going forward with a sprawling, big-name homage to one of the most significant moments in pop music history and 1960s counterculture.

"We are producing what will be an iconic and historic event" that honors the 1969 concert's themes of "peace and music," said Gregory Peck, a managing member of organizers Woodstock 50 LLC. "I feel, personally, we need Woodstock now as much as we

did 50 years ago."

But the festival's former main investor says it took charge of the show — and announced its cancellation April 29 — because preparations were lagging and the company was concerned for concertgoers' and performers' health and safety.

"This festival is not going to happen," said attorney Marc Greenwald, a lawyer for backer Amplifi Live LLC. It's an arm of Dentsu, an international marketing company based in Japan. Woodstock 50 sued last week, saying Amplifi Live couldn't singlehandedly call off the show.

The organizers accused their former partner of sabotaging the event by scaring off the public, privately telling artists to stay away and draining \$18 million from the festival bank account.

Amplifi Live shot back in court papers Sunday that the organizers' "incompetence" and "misrepresentations" spurred the company to take control, nix the festival and take back what



In this March 19, 2019, file photo, comedy writer Alan Zweibel; HeadCount executive director Andy Bernstein; hip hop recording artist Common; Woodstock co-producer and co-founder, Michael Lang and musician John Fogerty, left to right, participate in the Woodstock 50 lineup announcement at Electric Lady Studios, in New York.

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remained of the \$49 million it put in.

The festival has yet to get a state permit, though officials have prepared one conditionally, court papers show. Production company Superfly dropped out after raising concerns about

funding, attendance capacity and infrastructure at the festival's central New York venue, according to court papers.

Woodstock 50 initially foresaw a 150,000-person event. But Superfly pegged the "safe and appropriate

capacity" for the site at 65,000, according to court documents.

Woodstock 50 wants the \$18 million back; Peck said it's needed "in a matter of days" to pay for a new production company and other expenses. □



In this April 6, 2019, file photo, the angel Moroni statue sits atop the Salt Lake City temple, in Salt Lake City.

Associated Press

By BRADY McCOMBS

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints announced its opposition Monday to a comprehensive nondiscrimination bill that faces long odds in Congress, saying the legislation doesn't "meet the standard of fairness for all," contending it would strip key religious freedom protections.

The faith said in a statement that the Equality Act would "threaten religious employment standards, devastate religious education, defund numerous religious charities." The church pointed out the importance of religions and religious schools having the right to create faith-based employment and admissions standards. The Southern Baptist Convention and the Roman Catholic Church are

Mormon church opposes LGBT nondiscrimination measure

among others that oppose the measure.

"While providing extremely broad protections for LGBT rights, the Equality Act provides no protections for religious freedom," the statement said.

The legislation would add gender identity and sexual orientation to existing federal nondiscrimination laws covering such things as employment, housing, education, and public spaces and services.

The bill has widespread Democratic backing and seems certain to pass the House, but the chances appear slim in the Republican-controlled Senate.

The Utah-based faith, widely known as the Mormon church, said it favors "reasonable" measures to protect LGBT people's access to housing, employment

and public accommodations, but that such efforts shouldn't erode the right for people to live and speak freely about their religious beliefs.

The religion has tried to stake out a more compassionate stance on LGBTQ people, while sticking firmly to its doctrinal opposition to gay marriage and same-sex intimacy.

The church points to a 2015 Utah anti-discrimination law it backed. That measure made it illegal to base employment and housing decisions on sexual orientation or gender identity, while also creating exemptions for religious organizations and protecting religious speech in the workplace.

The faith said the federal Equality Act doesn't strike the right balance.

It expressed concern "that the ongoing conflicts between religious liberty and LGBT rights is poisoning our civil discourse, eroding the free exercise of religion and preventing diverse Americans of good will from living together in respect and peace."

U.S. Sens. Mitt Romney and Mike Lee, Republicans from Utah, also oppose the legislation.

Lee said in a statement the proposal is "seriously flawed" and would "dangerously undermine the First Amendment and the freedoms it was designed to protect." Romney doesn't support the measure because it doesn't contain strong religious liberty protections that are "essential" to any legislation on the issue, said spokeswoman Arielle Mueller in an email. □

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Maryland gov signs 1st-in-nation measure to help uninsured

ANNAPOLIS, Md. (AP) — Maryland Gov. Larry Hogan signed a first-in-the-nation measure Monday to make it easier for people without health insurance to find out if they qualify for low-cost insurance after they file their taxes.

The new law will create a box for people to check on state income tax returns. If a taxpayer checks the box, the state's health care exchange will see if the person qualifies, based on information in the tax return. Those who qualify for Medicaid will be enrolled automatically. The exchange will reach out to people who qualify for private coverage.

Hogan, a Republican, highlighted bipartisan work in the General Assembly, which is controlled by Democrats, on other health-related measures he signed Monday. One of them raises the smoking age from 18 to 21 and includes vaping in the definition of tobacco products.

"We are also proud to continue Maryland's record of leadership on health care by enacting legislation to further improve access and lower costs," Hogan said.

Sen. Brian Feldman, a Democrat, said the measure is part of a response to efforts at the federal level to overturn the Affordable Care Act, including the end of the mandate requiring people to have insurance or else pay a tax penalty. The Maryland measure initially included a provision

that would have revived the individual mandate in Maryland, but with an innovative twist: the uninsured would have had a choice of paying a tax penalty or make a down payment on health insurance. That provision was taken out of the bill. "We've been continuing to look for bipartisan ways to get more Marylanders health insurance," Feldman said. "We've made a lot of strides. About six or seven years ago, we had about 760,000 people without health insurance. Now, we're down to 360,000, and in light of what's happening at the federal level — the dismantling of the Affordable Care Act, the elimination of the mandate, we're starting to see some backtracking on that. So, we came up with an idea here that's first in the nation that you can use the state income tax return to check a box, and it will immediately opt in."

Stan Dorn, who is director of the National Center for Coverage Innovation, estimated there are tens of thousands of Maryland residents who do not have health insurance who are eligible for low-cost insurance but don't know it.

"We haven't begun beating the drum, and we've already heard from Oregon, New Mexico and Virginia," Dorn said. "I'm expecting we're going to hear from state capitals all around the country, interested in following up with what's happened here." □

Cries of brutality, scapegoating in 'I can't breathe' death

By **MICHAEL R. SISAK**

NEW YORK (AP) — Nearly five years after Eric Garner's pleas of "I can't breathe" became a rallying cry against police brutality, a disciplinary trial began Monday for the New York City police officer accused of hastening his death with a banned chokehold. The start of Officer Daniel Pantaleo's internal trial, which could lead to his firing, sparked protests in the streets and evoked emotional reactions from Garner's family in the hearing room as video of the July 2014 confrontation was played.

The police watchdog agency bringing the case featured the video prominently at the start of the two-week trial, using the cell phone footage of Garner being grabbed and pulled to the ground to shield against alternate explanations and concerns about the credibility of the man who recorded it.

"His last words, 'I can't breathe,' tell you who caused his death," Jonathan Fogel, a lawyer for the watchdog Civilian Complaint Review Board, said in an opening statement.

Pantaleo's lawyer, Stuart London, countered that the video shows the officer using an approved technique known as a "seat-belt hold" to restrain Garner and that he is being made to be a scapegoat in a politically charged atmosphere. Ramsey Orta, a friend of Garner's who shot the video of the confrontation, conceded during cross-ex-



New York City police officer Daniel Pantaleo leaves his house Monday, May 13, 2019, in Staten Island, N.Y.

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amination that Pantaleo's arm wasn't around Garner's neck when he uttered, "I can't breathe."

"We know he wasn't choked out because he is speaking," London said.

The lawyer called it a common misconception that the phrase was uttered when the officer's hands or arms were around Garner's neck. Garner made the plea while lying on the sidewalk as officers were trying to handcuff him, London said.

London said Pantaleo had pulled the much larger Garner to the ground because he feared they would crash through a plate-glass window while tussling against a Staten Island storefront. Garner, who was 43, weighed 350 pounds (159 kilograms) and suffered from asthma since childhood.

"Mr. Garner died from being morbidly obese," London said in his opening statement, describing him

as a "ticking timebomb."

The police department's disciplinary process plays out like a trial in front of an administrative judge, but the purpose is to determine whether Pantaleo violated department rules. The final decision on any punishment lies with the police commissioner, with penalties ranging from the loss of vacation days to firing.

Pantaleo, 33, has been on desk duty since Garner's death. He denies wrongdoing and does not face criminal charges.

Two police officials involved in an internal affairs investigation into Garner's death testified that they found Pantaleo likely violated department rules and that a request for disciplinary charges was made in January 2015.

The police department put the disciplinary matter on hold while federal prosecutors weighed a possible civil rights case against Pantaleo. □

UK Brexit talks stagger on but parties remain far apart

LONDON (AP) — Brexit talks between Britain's Conservative government and the main opposition Labour Party resumed Monday with little sign of progress, as the two parties remained far apart on terms of the U.K.'s departure from the European Union.

Senior Conservative and Labour officials have been meeting for weeks in an attempt to find a compromise Brexit deal that can win majority support in Parliament.

Labour Brexit spokesman Keir Starmer told Monday's Guardian newspaper his party would only support a deal if it was put to a referendum vote.

Starmer said that as many as 150 of Labour's 246 lawmakers "would not back a deal if it hasn't got a confirmatory vote."

Prime Minister Theresa May has rejected a new referendum, saying voters made their decision in 2016 when they narrowly opted



Running for re-election as an MEP, European Parliament Brexit chief Guy Verhofstadt, center, who is the leader of the Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe, speaks as he stands with the leader of the British Liberal Democrats party Vince Cable, center left, as they pose for the media with supporters in Camden Square, London, Friday, May 10, 2019.

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to leave the EU.

Foreign Secretary Jeremy Hunt said it was "a crunch week" for the talks.

He said the Conservative Party believed a new referendum "would be a betray-

al of what people voted for, and we want to implement the first referendum. But let's see where these talks go to."

If the cross-party talks fail, the government says it will

give Parliament votes on a series of Brexit options in an attempt to see if any has majority support.

Previous "indicative votes" failed to find agreement on any way forward.

The U.K.'s departure from the EU, long set for March 29, has been delayed until Oct. 31 while Britain's politicians try to break the deadlock.

Anger at the Brexit morass is fueling support for smaller parties ahead of a European Parliament election next week. The newly formed Brexit Party, led by former U.K. Independence Party head Nigel Farage, is leading opinion polls for the May 23 contest and could take the largest share of Britain's 73 seats in the EU legislature.

The pro-EU Liberal Democrats have also seen their popularity surge as voters turn their frustration on the two big parties.

Conservative lawmaker Huw Merriman said his party faced "an absolute mauling" in the European election.

He told the BBC that pro-EU voters will "blame us for having tried to take us out" of the bloc. □

Denied graves by Nazis, resistance fighters finally buried

By DAVID RISING

BERLIN (AP) — Executed for standing up against Adolf Hitler's dictatorship and then denied graves so as not to become a rallying point for others, the partial remains of 300 Nazi resistance fighters were laid to rest Monday in a solemn ceremony in a downtown Berlin cemetery.

The small wooden box lowered into the square granite-edged plot included remains of Erika von Brockdorff, who was beheaded in the Nazis' notorious Ploetzensee Prison on May 13, 1943 — exactly 76 years ago — for her involvement in the famous Red Orchestra resistance movement.

"I'm just happy that there is now this place," reflected her daughter, 81-year-old Saskia von Brockdorff, after sprinkling handfuls of earth into the grave. "We always drove with my sons to Ploetzensee, but that is really a place of execution even if it is not what it was then, and I'm glad I can come here now."



A cemetery staff member holds a box with the remains of political prisoners of the Nazi regime in Berlin, Germany, Monday, May 13, 2019.

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The remains — fragments of tissue — were discovered two years ago by descendants of Hermann Stieve, the former director of the Berlin Institute of Anatomy at the Charite hospital.

Stieve wasn't a member of the Nazi party himself,

but was complicit in their crimes, said Johannes Tuchel, director of the German Resistance Memorial Center, who was involved in the investigation into the remains and organizing their burial. Among other things, Stieve reached a



deal with Nazi authorities to quickly receive the bodies of victims who had been executed for his research, in exchange for agreeing to leave no traces of their bodies behind.

"The Nazis worried that the graves of the resistance

fighters could become martyrs' cemeteries, so to speak, and they wanted to avoid this," Tuchel told The Associated Press.

Stieve's main focus was on female menstrual cycles, and he wrote papers on how stress affected the female reproductive system. The tissue samples discovered by Stieve's heirs were primarily taken from women, aged 20 to 40, and the doctor would have certainly known that they didn't die of natural causes, Tuchel told relatives and others who packed the small chapel at the Dorotheenstaedter Cemetery for a multi-denominational service by Protestant and Catholic priests and a Jewish rabbi before the burial.

"It was clear they were involved in the resistance and were executed for their activities," he said. Overall, more than 2,800 people were executed by hanging or guillotine at the Ploetzensee prison during the Nazi era. □

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EU calls for calm, warns US-Iran of conflict 'by accident'

BRUSSELS (AP) — European foreign ministers urged the United States and Iran to show restraint Monday amid fears of tensions tipping them easily into armed conflict, while Secretary of State Mike Pompeo briefed his counterparts on the threats Washington sees emanating from the Islamic republic.

The foreign ministers of Britain, France and Germany, joined by the European Union's foreign policy chief, made the appeal after Saudi Arabia said two oil tankers were sabotaged Sunday off the coast of the United Arab Emirates, one as it was heading to pick up Saudi oil to take to the United States.

Washington has warned shipping companies that "Iran or its proxies" could be targeting maritime traffic in the Persian Gulf region and said it was deploying an aircraft carrier and B-52 bombers there to counter alleged threats from Tehran.

European countries that were co-signatories to a nuclear accord between Tehran and six world powers have been racing to salvage the deal since the U.S. pulled out last year. The foreign ministers of Britain, France and Germany, parties to Iran agreement, and EU foreign policy chief



From left, European Union foreign policy chief Federica Mogherini, French Foreign Minister Jean-Yves Le Drian, German Foreign Minister Heiko Maas and British Foreign Secretary Jeremy Hunt pose for a photo prior to a meeting at the European Council in Brussels, Monday, May 13, 2019.

Associated Press

Federica Mogherini, who supervises the way the 2015 agreement is enacted, met in Brussels on Monday.

"We are very worried about the risk of a conflict happening by accident, with an escalation that is unintended really on either side but ends with some kind of conflict," British Foreign Secretary Jeremy Hunt told reporters.

"What we need is a period of calm to make sure that everyone understands what the other side is thinking," Hunt said.

In withdrawing from the nuclear accord, the U.S. said

the agreement did nothing to stop Iran from developing missiles or destabilizing the Middle East. The Europeans insist the agreement was never meant to address those issues but has been effective in curbing Tehran's nuclear ambitions. Tensions mounted last week, when Iranian President Hassan Rouhani gave the remaining signatories 60 days to come up with a plan to shield his country from sanctions imposed by U.S. President Donald Trump after the U.S. withdrew from the deal.

French Foreign Minister

Jean-Yves Le Drian described the remarks suggesting that Iran might renege on the agreement as "very worrying," given that the EU is still respecting the deal and trying to keep financial supply lines open to Tehran to bolster its economy.

U.S. Iran envoy Brian Hook told reporters traveling with Pompeo that in Brussels, the secretary of state "shared information and intelligence with allies" since "Europe shares our concerns about stability in the Gulf and the Middle East."

"The secretary wanted to

share some detail behind what we have been saying publicly. We believe that Iran should try talks instead of threats. They have chosen poorly by focusing on threats," Hook said.

Mogherini said Pompeo "heard clearly" in Brussels that "we are living a crucial, delicate moment, where the most responsible attitude to take is, and we believe should be, that of maximum restraint and avoiding any escalation on a military side."

She and Hook said the reported attacks on the two tankers had been discussed, but neither linked the incidents to Iran.

German Foreign Minister Heiko Maas said the Europeans underlined to Pompeo the importance of nuclear deal.

"I don't see that there's a better one, or any proposals for a better agreement," Maas said. "That's why I think it's responsible to hold onto what one has and do everything to prevent the situation there from escalating further."

As the U.S. sanctions bite, domestic pressure is increasing on Rouhani to demonstrate that Iran can still benefit from an agreement based on providing it with economic opportunities in exchange for limiting nuclear development. □

Syrian troops capture 5 villages in last rebel stronghold

BEIRUT (AP) — Syrian troops on Monday captured five small villages and a hill on the edge of the north-western province of Idlib, the last major rebel stronghold in the country, pro-government media said. The extremist leader of the main rebel group in the region also released a video called on every able person to "perform his religious duty" and join the fight. The pro-government Syrian Central Military Media said government forces had captured the villages of Hawash, Jabrieh, Tawbeh, Sheikh Idriss, Jub Suleiman and Hawash hill on the southern edges of Idlib. The villages are near the strategic village of Kfar Nabuda, which Syrian troops entered last week.

Abu Mohammed al-Golani, the leader of the al-Qaida-linked Hayat Tahrir al-Sham, or HTS, claimed in a video interview with a local activist that government forces



In this photo released by the Syrian official news agency SANA, Syrian army soldiers flash the victory sign as they stand on their tank in the village of Kfar Nabuda, in the countryside of the Hama province on Saturday, May 11, 2019.

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have suffered many losses while trying to advance into rebel-held areas over the past few days. Dressed in military uniform and holding an automatic rifle while

seated under a tree, he claimed his militant group was gaining more fighters each day.

Al-Golani also said insurgents have the right to

strike at a Russian base in Syria because "more than 90 percent of the Russian airstrikes are targeting women and children."

Syrian troops have been

advancing on the rebels for nearly two weeks under the cover of Syrian and Russian airstrikes. In turn, the rebels have been blamed for firing rockets into Russia's air base in the nearby coastal province of Latakia.

Russia joined Syria's war in 2015, tipping the balance of power in favor for President Bashar Assad's forces. Opposition activists say Russian warplanes have been bombarding rebel-held areas intensely in recent weeks.

Much of Idlib is controlled by HTS, the largest and most powerful group in the area. Most of its fighters belonged to al-Qaida's affiliate in Syria, formerly known as the Nusra Front.

France, Germany and Britain issued a joint statement calling for an end to the escalation of violence in northwestern Syria between government forces and HTS and "other terrorist groups." □

Sudan prosecutors charge al-Bashir with killing protesters

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KHARTOUM, Sudan (AP)

— Sudanese prosecutors have charged ousted President Omar al-Bashir with involvement in killing protesters and incitement to kill protesters during the uprising that drove him from power last month, state news agency SUNA reported Monday.

It was not immediately clear what punishment he might face. Protest organizers say security forces killed around 100 demonstrators during the four months of rallies leading to al-Bashir's overthrow.

The transitional military council ruling Sudan has said al-Bashir will face justice inside the country and will not be extradited to the Hague, where the International Criminal Court has charged him with war crimes and genocide linked to the Darfur conflict in the 2000s.

Al-Bashir, who was the only sitting head of state to be subject to an international



In this April 11, 2019 file photo, Sudanese celebrate after officials said the military had forced long-time autocratic President Omar al-Bashir to step down after 30 years in power in Khartoum, Sudan.

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arrest warrant, was imprisoned in the capital, Khartoum, days after the military removed him from power.

The military ousted al-Bashir on April 11, but the demon-

strators have remained in the streets, demanding the dismantling of his regime and a swift transition to civilian rule. In recent weeks they have threatened a

general strike and civil disobedience.

At least a dozen protesters were wounded Monday in clashes with the military, the Sudan Doctors Com-

mittee said, including eight at the ongoing sit-in area outside the military headquarters in Khartoum. The doctors committee is part of the Sudanese Professionals Association, which has spearheaded the protests since December.

Footage circulating online showed protesters blocking roads in Khartoum with burning tires and trees. Other footage showed men from the Rapid Support Forces forcibly dispersing protesters. The paramilitary RSF, which has led counterinsurgency campaigns in Darfur and other regions, is led by Gen. Mohamed Hamdan Dagalo, the deputy head of the military council.

The SPA said the road closures were in response to the military council's delay in handing over power to civilians.

The protesters had resumed negotiations with the army earlier Monday while also calling for more demonstrations nationwide, including another march to the main sit-in. □



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Arms control a top issue at Russia-US talks Tuesday in Sochi

By NATALIYA VASILYEVA

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MOSCOW (AP) — U.S. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo's first trip to Russia is scheduled to start Tuesday in Black Sea coastal city of Sochi, where he and Russian Foreign Minister are sitting down for talks and then having a joint meeting with President Vladimir Putin. A look at the top issues Pompeo and Lavrov are expected to discuss before briefing Putin:

ARMS CONTROL

The state of arms control treaties between the United States and Russia is likely to feature prominently in the talks.

The U.S. unilaterally pulled out of a 1987 nuclear missile pact this year, accusing Russia of violations. Putin responded in kind, saying he was suspending Russia's participation in the Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces treaty and accusing Washington of making false allegations.

Trump has said he wants to negotiate new arms control accords that reflect current conditions and to bring in other nations, notably China.

The U.S. president said after he and Putin spoke by phone last week they were considering a deal that would "get rid of some of the tremendous firepower that we have right now" and also include China. Speaking ahead of Pompeo's visit, Russian Deputy Foreign Minister Sergei Ryabkov said Monday that Moscow wants to focus on extending the START treaty, another key arms control deal between Moscow and Washington which runs out in 2021.

Ryabkov added that Moscow wants to focus on bilateral commitments first



Russian President Vladimir Putin, right, gestures while speaking to Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi during their meeting in the Bocharov Ruchei residence in the Black Sea resort of Sochi, Russia, Monday, May 13, 2019.

Associated Press

before bringing China into treaty negotiations.

ELECTION INTERFERENCE

Pompeo's sit-down with Putin and Lavrov will be the highest-level, face-to-face talks between Washington and Moscow since the release of special counsel Robert Mueller's report on Russian meddling in the 2016 presidential election. Trump has downplayed the Russian interference and insisted Mueller's report cleared him of wrongdoing. U.S. officials acknowledge Russia inserted itself in the 2016 campaign and think it will try to do so again in the United States and elsewhere.

While Putin has repeatedly denied Russia played any role in other countries' elections, U.S. officials say Pom-

peo will raise the subject of election meddling in Sochi. At a meeting in Finland earlier this month, Pompeo said he told Lavrov the interference is "not appropriate and that we're going to do everything we can to deter it."

SYRIA

The United States has urged Russia to end escalating airstrikes in the last Syrian province under rebel control. U.S. Special Representative for Syria Engagement James Jeffrey is accompanying Pompeo to Sochi to get a sense of Russia's long-term plans for Idlib.

The Russian military has described its current operations there as limited and solely in response to frequent rebel attacks on its

air base. But U.S. officials appear concerned that Russia could be laying the groundwork for a full-on offensive by Syrian government forces.

Russia and Turkey struck a cease-fire deal for Idlib in September, averting what was then seen as an inevitable offensive on the rebel stronghold. Syrian and Russian military planes started bombing the province on April 30.

Russian officials publicly expressed their impatience with Idlib's rebels, but said they oppose a major offensive.

Lavrov is likely to press Pompeo on the U.S. military presence in Syria as well as the international sanctions on Syria President Bashar Assad's government. Russia argues the sanctions ham-

per the much-needed reconstruction efforts for the war-battered country.

IRAN

Tensions between the U.S. and Iran have spiked since Trump withdrew a year ago from a 2015 nuclear agreement between six world powers and Tehran while reinstating economic sanctions on Iran's energy and finance sectors.

Russia is one of the remaining signatories, and Lavrov is likely to stress to Pompeo the deal's importance for international security.

Iran said this week it would partially end its compliance with the agreement unless the European parties are able to circumvent the U.S. sanctions and preserve the benefits the Middle East country expected to see from the accord.

Pompeo scrapped the short visit to Moscow on his trip itinerary Monday and made an unplanned stop in Brussels to discuss the future of the Iran nuclear deal with European officials.

Last week, the U.S. said it was dispatching an aircraft carrier group and B-52 bombers to the Middle East in response to intelligence that Iran was preparing to retaliate for the sanctions with attacks on American interests in the region.

Trump also said he would like to meet Iranian leaders "someday" to "work out an agreement."

NORTH KOREA

Pompeo is coming to Sochi likely wanting to know if Moscow can do more to get North Korean leader Kim Jong Un to abandon his arms buildup. Russia is likely to press the U.S. to provide more security guarantees to North Korea as a first step to break the diplomatic stalemate. □

Burgeoning numbers of Cubans trying to enter US via Mexico

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CIUDAD JUAREZ, Mexico (AP) — Burgeoning numbers of Cubans are trying to get into the U.S. by way of the Mexican border, creating a big backlog of people waiting on the Mexican side for months for their chance to apply for asylum.

The surge over the past several months has been propelled in part by loosened travel restrictions in Central America and deteriorating living conditions in Cuba.

As a result, about 4,500 asylum seekers, the vast majority of them Cuban, have descended on Ciudad Juarez, across from El Paso, Texas — an influx that has raised tensions with some locals.

"It's a bottleneck with an opening that is getting smaller," said Enrique Valenzuela, an official of Mexico's Chihuahua state, which manages Juarez's waiting list. "People keep coming."

For decades during the Cold War and beyond, Cubans tried to reach the U.S. by air, land and sea, many of them crossing the 90 miles to Florida in dangerously rickety boats and rafts.

In January 2017, though, the U.S. ended its "wet-foot, dry-foot" policy of almost automatically admitting any Cuban who managed to reach American soil. For many Cubans, their best option is going to the U.S.-Mexican border and claim-



In this April 26, 2019, photo, Cubans wait their turn to enter Panama's embassy to apply for travel visas to Panama, in Havana, Cuba.

Associated Press

ing asylum.

For many years, Cubans entering through the southern border generally flew to South America and tried to come into the U.S. at Laredo, Texas. But now many are using a relatively new and shorter route: They fly to Panama or Nicaragua, pay smugglers to help them reach the U.S. border, and seek to come across at El Paso.

In the seven-month period from October through April, 4,737 Cubans without legal status entered the U.S. at crossings in Customs and Border Protection's El Paso field office, compared with 394 in the previous 12 months. Along the entire U.S.-Mexico border, 10,910 Cubans came through official crossings between October and April, versus 7,079 in the previous 12 months. Migrants applying for asylum are often released into the U.S. while their cases make their way through immigration courts, which can take years. But for Cubans, it's easier to settle in the United States than for others.

Communist Cuba refuses to fully cooperate with the U.S. on deportations, meaning that if the migrants lose their asylum cases, Cuba generally doesn't take them back. The U.S. then has little choice but to let

them stay.

For Cubans and others, one of the biggest obstacles is simply getting an opportunity to apply for asylum. Over the last year, the Trump administration has sharply limited the number of asylum claims it processes at land crossings, forcing people to wait their turn in Mexico.

At the current processing rate, the wait in Juarez is now up to five months, compared with only a few days as recently as February.

Panama became known in recent years as a relatively easy source of visas for Cubans who could make a convincing case that they only wanted to shop and return to sell goods in Cuba. Panama has a free trade zone where Cubans splurge on everything from shampoo to air conditioners and electric motorbikes. Also, in October, Panama began issuing \$20 tourist cards to Cuban business people and certain others, replacing a longer, more difficult process that often ended in rejection.

In January, Nicaragua made it faster and easier for Cubans to obtain a visa in Havana by eliminating the requirement that applications be approved in Nicaragua's capital.

Meanwhile, a drop in Ven-

ezuelan aid and the U.S. hardening of the trade embargo against Cuba have created food shortages and a sense of crisis on the island. Young people in particular are lining up outside any embassy that will grant them a visa.

Friends told Yaneisi Hernandez of Havana that Juarez was safer than other Texas crossings, that it had a strong network of charitable groups and, most important, that the wait to claim asylum in the U.S. was comparatively short. After flying to Nicaragua and paying a smuggler to reach the U.S. border by bus, taxi, on foot and on horseback, she was disappointed to find 3,500 names ahead of hers.

"I can't even think about working here because I might get deported," said Hernandez, 39, after spending her first night in Juarez sleeping with other Cubans on a patch of grass outside the government office where asylum seekers are assigned numbers while they wait.

Cubans arriving in Juarez last month said they paid smugglers about \$2,000 to reach the U.S. border, plus \$150 to \$400 in the southern Mexico border city of Tapachula for a lawyer to obtain a court order allowing them to travel legally through Mexico. They waited about

three weeks in Tapachula for legal permission to stay in Mexico.

The surge of Cubans has been so big that Juarez restaurants have added Cuban favorites like roast suckling pig and black beans with rice to their menus.

Unlike Central Americans, many of whom are fleeing are extreme poverty and arrive with little more than the shirts on their backs, many Cubans can afford a cheap hotel or rented room if migrant shelters don't have space, aided by relatives in the U.S. They buy cellphones for their short time in Mexico, which they use to check a Facebook group that gives twice-daily updates on the waiting list. Cuban men can be distinguished by their spotless sneakers, track suits and aviator sunglasses.

Some Juarez residents are wary.

Casa del Migrante, which houses up to 1,000 people in its shelter, banned Cubans earlier this year because they didn't mix well with Central Americans and didn't follow the rules, said manager Blanca Rivera.

"They didn't like our food," she said. "You have to make exceptions for them. They want rice, meat sandwiches, they want pizza. ... That attitude is not welcome in migrant shelters." Some Cubans are also souring on Juarez.

About 10 Cubans pursuing asylum gathered near a phone charging bank one Friday night at the El Paso airport to wait for a 6 a.m. flight to Miami. After flying to Panama and reaching Juarez in early February, Arnoldo Garcia, a Havana electrician, said he waited only two days to claim asylum in El Paso.

After about two months in U.S. detention, Garcia, 47, was released with an appointment slip for immigration officials in Miami. He said he wouldn't recommend Juarez to anyone contemplating the journey. "There are too many people," he said. "It's become a lot more complicated." □



LOCAL



Remembering Eileen S. Hochstuhl: A long-time friend of Aruba

By Clyde Harms

ORANJESTAD Eileen S. Hochstuhl was the widow of William C. "Bill" Hochstuhl, who wrote German U-boat 156 Brought War to Aruba February 16, 1942. Bill and Eileen lived in Aruba from 1951 to 1964.

Bill was one of the first persons to receive the Aruba Goodwill Ambassador Award (in 1964), not for visiting Aruba frequently, but in recognition of his good deeds for the youth of Aruba.

Eileen Sivori was born and raised in New York City. At the age of 20 she enlisted in the Navy Women's Air Force (WAVES) and traveled by bus to Cedar Falls, Iowa for basic training. She was determined to fly planes and trained hard for that. Eventually she became a trainer in Pensacola where she trained aspiring pilots in the simulator. One of those young cadets was Bill Hochstuhl who was captivated by his trainer's

charms. Her immediate response to his early overtures was a cold "get lost, cadet!"

The story continues that the cadet offered to buy her a steak dinner and the offer was too much to resist, especially in those days! She eventually said "yes" and they were married in 1945.

Eileen earned her pilot's license in 1947 and never flew for the Navy WAVES, but her husband, and one-time cadet, served as a US Navy pilot in Greenland during the latter years of World War II. Eileen also lived to see her grandson Lt. Col. Matthew Getty become a U.S. Airforce pilot who served in Iraq and Afghanistan flying a Lockheed C-5 Galaxy, by far the largest Airforce plane. Although quite frail, she was also present at the recent ceremony when Matthew was promoted to full Colonel.

Besides being an accomplished seamstress, Eileen loved to cook and was an avid golfer and bridge player.

Eileen is survived by her four daughters Jane and her husband Bill Getty and their four children; Jill Fabel; Jessica and her husband Richard Nicoletti and their three children; Jennifer (born in Aruba!) and her husband John Hinck and their three children. In addition, Eileen was blessed with thirteen great grandchildren.

Eileen's life was celebrated at Trinity Episcopal Church in Red Bank, N.J. on May 6th, 2019, and she was buried with military honors. Those of us who had the pleasure of knowing Eileen personally will always carry fond memories of her. Our heartfelt condolences go out to the bereaved family.

Pictures are courtesy of Jane Getty - Hochstuhl.



Aruba Press Award



ORANJESTAD – Recently, the Aruba Tourism Authority held the Aruba Press Award which gave recognition to the Latin American journalists. The participants had to write a story about Aruba, but from a tourist point of view.

The competition was held by the Aruba Tourism Authority together with the worldwide organization of Tourism Press. The participants are from different Latin American countries such as Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Chile y Venezuela from where Aruba leads its marketing.

The competition started in August of last year and lasted until December. Over 80 stories were presented. The winners of the different categories were chosen by a jury who focused on different characteristics of the stories. All winners will receive a free vacation to Aruba. □

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Episode XVIII Shamans II

Boratios, Beykes, Boitius, Whitch docter are some of the titels people use to identify those who practice the art of traditional healing. Locally they were known as Curanderos or Curiosos, "titles" which may have come from the inquisitive nature of those who practice the natural way of healing with assistance of spiritual powers of plants.



Ishi a powerful healer of Tibuxi

The means by which spiritual healers practiced their role and powers includes:

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Fasting and cleansing rituals healer of the spirits

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was fundamental to the effectiveness of expected result.

The fundamental doctrine is based on the belief that every object in nature is controlled by its own independent spirit, or soul.

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If a healer had control over the spirits he became extremely powerful, such power of conscience or quality of awareness was there to be used for good and not for one's own benefit.

Medicine, mystery and wisdom

The healing role of the person was critical.

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A Native healing ceremony

Many Native American Tribes believe that when a man is ill a bad spirit has taken away his soul or has entered into him, it is therefore not surprising that the Native Americans would wish to gain power over these spirits.

The man with knowledge of spirits and the supernatural was the Shamanic healer, he who would know protective words, chants and have the knowledge obtain through objects, substance, the burning of tobacco and botanical resins. Others use feathers, corn pollen or talismans, which, if carried, would disarm bad spirits and protect their owners against bad omens etc. Such wisdom, knowledge and discipline is what Amerindians believe and respect as "true medicine" or "mystery healing" in the ceremonial context of indigenous American communities, "medicine" usually refers to spiritual healing.

this tradition are referred to as medicine men, witch doctor, medicine people and mystery men, Shaman, Curioso or Curandero.

Regalia - masks, rattles and drums

Healers are equipped with a number of objects that helps him to communicate with spirits in other worlds. They practice dances, gestures and sounds as the symbolic powers of curandero to enter the spirit world. A curandero also wears ceremonial clothes and carries sacred objects such as rattles and feathers special seeds, beans, talismans, drums and smoke to incarnate the spirits of nature and amplify their power. The curandero of some tribes or communities also used masks that were believed to hold spiritual powers and would identify them with the spirits in other worlds and activate their powers, the means by which spiritual healers embody their role.



Bonchi Hoyada or evil eye bean a talisman

The Native Americans who seeks knowledge through

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These powers included

faith in the shamanic perspective. True healing — spiritual healing — cannot

be achieved on a physical level. There are two main types of shamanic healing

practices that we still can encounter in rural America: Ethno-botanical ceremo-

nies using the healing powers of herbal potions and extracts and the spiritual practitioner who calls for the assistance of spiritual beings to heal and restore the afflicted.

Shamans can call on good spirits to help restore portions of the soul. Today shamanic healing is part of a holistic system. This starts with the person who is seeking help, answers or cure. The central concept or focus is based up on the faith and trust of the participant, that he or she will be cured. In many cases other modalities, such as eastern medicine, folk or Western medicine can offer complement, support and contributes to the necessary wellness.



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Family & Friends honored at Marriott Ocean Club

NOORD — Recently, Marouska Heyliger had the great pleasure to honor Aruba's loyal and friendly visitors.

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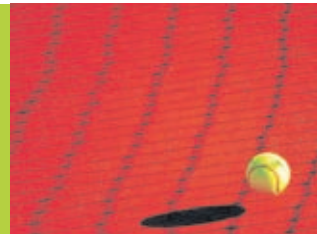
The honorees were Frank and Diana Roberto from Ohio. They have been honored as Goodwill Ambassadors. The Roberto family love coming to the island especially for the friendly people, the beautiful beaches and the good weather.

Also honored as Goodwill Ambassadors were Gerald McGlumphy and Family from West Virginia. They stated that they love coming to the island for the amazing variety of food, the wonderful Marriott Hotel and the lovely people of the island.

Heyliger together with representatives of the Marriott Ocean Club presented the honorees with the symbolic honorary title on behalf of the Minister of Tourism as a token of appreciation and thanked them for choosing Aruba as their home away from home for so many years. □



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Leap of faith: Cavs sign Michigan's Beilein to 5-year deal

By TOM WITHERS
AP Sports Writer

CLEVELAND (AP) — John Beilein has spent a coaching lifetime taking ordinary programs and turning them into consistent winning ones.

All in college.

He's getting his NBA shot.

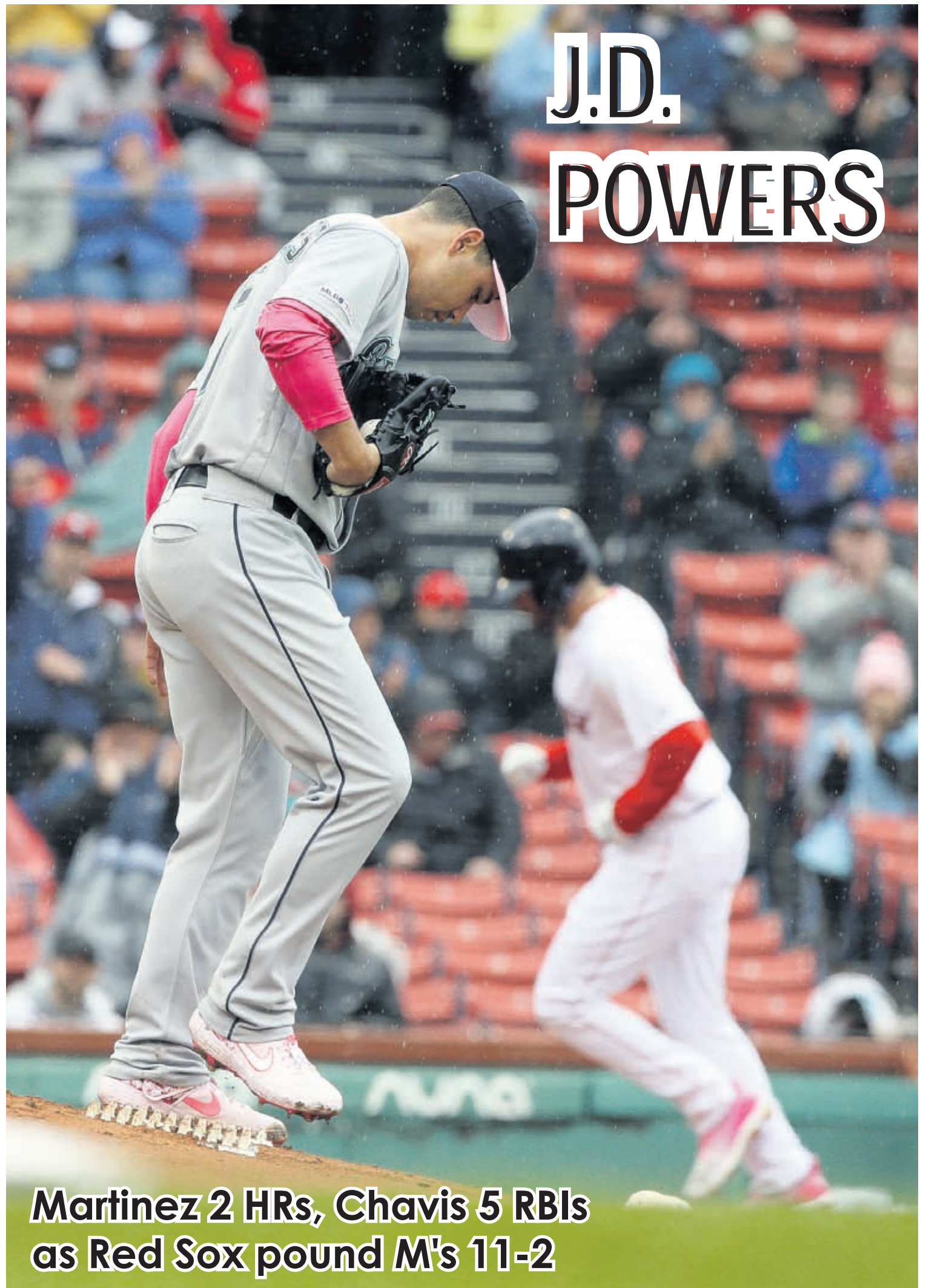
The Cavaliers ended a monthlong search Monday by hiring Beilein, a 66-year-old offensive mastermind who made Michigan a perennial powerhouse and now takes over a rebuilding project in Cleveland. Beilein got a five-year deal with the Cavs, who believe he can make the successful leap from campus.

Beilein's signing is somewhat surprising given his age, lack of pro experience and because the Cavs, who have had six previous coaches since 2009, had been speaking almost exclusively with younger NBA assistants during their interview process.

Beilein isn't the safest pick or the sexiest, but Cavs general manager Koby Altman said he precisely fits the coaching profile he wanted.

"We interviewed several strong and talented candidates who, no doubt, will get an opportunity to become an NBA head coach somewhere down the line," Altman said. "Following the end of those interviews, it became clear to us that Coach Beilein was the right choice and best fit for our franchise."

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Martinez 2 HRs, Chavis 5 RBIs as Red Sox pound M's 11-2

Seattle Mariners' Marco Gonzales, left, steps on the mound as Boston Red Sox's J.D. Martinez, right, runs the bases toward home after hitting a home run off a pitch from him in the first inning of a baseball game at Fenway Park, Sunday, May 12, 2019, in Boston.

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Stricker wins Tradition by 6 shots for 1st senior major

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP) — Steve Stricker got the next best thing to a major championship, at least for a 50-something player.

Stricker ran away with his first senior major Monday, closing with a 4-under 68 for a six-shot victory at the weather-delayed Regions Tradition.

Stricker led by two shots heading into the final round at Greystone's Founders Course and went bogey-free, finishing at 18-under 270. It was the fourth win in 18 PGA Tour Champions starts for the Ryder Cup captain, who continues to play regularly on the PGA Tour.

"This is special," said Stricker, wiping tears from his eyes during a TV interview. "I get emotional. I hate this part." The 52-year-old has 12 PGA Tour victories but never won a major, finishing second at the 1998 PGA Championship to Vijay Singh. This one wasn't a bad consolation prize.

"I wish I would have won one out there," said Stricker, who's scheduled to compete at the PGA Championship later this week at



Steve Stricker holds up the trophy after winning the Regions Tradition Champions Tour golf tournament, Monday, May 13, 2019, in Birmingham, Ala.

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Bethpage Black. "Nothing can compare to that, I think, winning a major out on the regular tour. But to win one out here, this is the next level, I guess.

"To show myself that I'm able to handle the heat down the end on the last day. I hit some really quality shots today, so I'll take a lot from that."

His celebration was muted: a single pump of his left fist followed by hugs with his caddie and Bernhard Langer. Stricker was runner-up to Miguel Angel Jimenez at last year's Regions Tradition.

Billy Andrade, Paul Goydos and David Toms tied for second, but no one challenged Stricker down the stretch. Goydos closed with a 70 while Andrade and Toms shot 72.

"I got off to a good start and just slowly crept up," Goydos said. "I never looked like I was going to win. Stricker played really well, but I had a good week."

Toms missed a birdie putt on No. 18 that would have given him second place alone.

The fight for the title was over long before that.

Langer, who won the Regions Tradition in 2016 and 2017 among his 10 senior majors, began the day two shots behind Stricker but faded with a 75. He was trying to join Jack Nicklaus as the only player to win the Tradition more than twice. Nicklaus won four times from 1990-96.

"He just handles himself with such class and grace and such a true gentleman of the game," Stricker said of Langer.

"He didn't have his best stuff. I thought he would come at me a little more than what he did, but I wanted to win and I wanted to beat him and I wanted to beat everybody. That was my motivating factor, I think."

Stricker expanded his lead to six strokes with three birdies on the front nine. He chipped in at No. 4 and made his last birdie at the par-5 13th with an approach to within a few feet. Even with the win well in hand, Stricker spent a couple of minutes pondering his approach on the par-5 18th before he set up an easy two-putt par.

Stricker flirted with trouble when his tee shot on No. 16 missed right, but it bounced off a tree and nearly made it back onto the fairway.

He delivered a shot from the bottom of a slope over trees and onto the green to save par — even though by then, a bogey wouldn't have hurt him much. □



Luis Saez riding Maximum Security, second from right, goes around turn four with Flavien Prat riding Country House, left, Tyler Gaffalione riding War of Will and John Velazquez riding Code of Honor, right, during the 145th running of the Kentucky Derby horse race at Churchill Downs Saturday, May 4, 2019, in Louisville, Ky.

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LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — Jockey Luis Saez was suspended for 15 days for failing to control Maximum Security and causing interference that resulted in the horse's historic disqualification as the Kentucky Derby winner.

The decision by the Kentucky stewards was announced by the Kentucky

Horse Racing Commission. A lawyer for Saez said the suspension is "unwarranted" and that the rider's legal team will file an appeal within 10 days. They are also seeking a stay of the penalty pending appeal. "He had a flawless ride in the Kentucky Derby and there's no reason that the stewards should have giv-

Maximum Security rider banned 15 days for Derby interference

en any discipline to him," said attorney Sean Deskins of the Oldfather Law Firm in Louisville. "He did everything that he was required to do and that was within his power to control the horse."

Saez was cited for failing to "make the proper effort to maintain a straight course" in the May 4 race at Churchill Downs. Country House, a 65-1 shot was elevated and declared the winner. It was the first time the horse finishing first at the Derby was disqualified for interference. Maximum Security was placed 17th of 19 horses.

Saez's suspension is May 23 through June 14 and covers racing dates.

The stewards' ruling comes a week after the racing commission denied an

appeal of Maximum Security's disqualification by co-owner Gary West. The commission's swift denial came hours after West announced that Maximum Security would not run in this weekend's Preakness at Pimlico in Baltimore.

The commission said that stewards' decisions are not subject to appeal. It also denied a request to stay the disqualification ruling pending appeal.

West and his wife, Mary, said in a statement Thursday they are evaluating their legal options. They added that with a "just and proper hearing of our case Maximum Security will be restored as the rightful winner."

Maximum Security led a muddy Derby from wire to wire, holding off Country

House down the stretch in a trip that initially appeared to improve the 9-2 second betting choice to 5-0 lifetime.

Stewards instead took the colt down after determining Maximum Security impeded the path of several horses between the far and final turns of the 1 1/4-mile race. Maximum Security was near the rail before veering several racing lanes to his right and making contact with War of Will, who retreated, Long Range Toddy and Bodexpress.

Country House was involved on the outside but didn't appear seriously affected. Country House's rider, Flavien Prat, filed an objection and said Maximum Security interfered with his horse. □

Leonard, Raptors to face Bucks, Antetokounmpo in East final

By IAN HARRISON

TORONTO (AP) — For the second time in four seasons, the Toronto Raptors are headed to the Eastern Conference final.

While the Raptors won't have to deal with playoff nemesis LeBron James this time, they will face a tough task in controlling Milwaukee Bucks All-Star Giannis Antetokounmpo and the rest of the NBA's highest-scoring offense.

Of course, Toronto will counter with Kawhi Leonard.

He hit the game-winning buzzer-beater Sunday to help Toronto edge Philadelphia 92-90 in Game 7 of its Eastern Conference semifinal series, setting up a showdown between the East's top teams during the regular season.

Leonard's shot bounced around the rim four times before dropping through the basket.

"It was great," Leonard said. "That's something I never experienced before, Game 7, a game-winning shot. It was a blessing to be able to get to that point and make that shot and feel that moment."

Leonard and the Raptors will have a few hours to enjoy it; the conference final begin Wednesday night in Milwaukee. In its only other conference final appearance, Toronto lost to LeBron James and Cleveland in six games in 2016.

The Raptors are well aware of the challenge ahead. Toronto guard Kyle Lowry said the Bucks have been "pretty dominant" in winning eight of nine postseason games — including the past four straight.

"They've got a lot of weapons and they're pretty deep," Lowry said. "They shoot the ball as well as anybody in the NBA and then they've got the one-man fast break in Giannis." The Bucks beat the Raptors three times in four regular-season meetings. Lowry was injured when Toronto won 123-116 at Milwaukee on Jan. 5.

"We know we've got a tough task at hand," Lowry said. "We have to prepare for it and get ready to go." Toronto coach Nick Nurse said the Bucks present challenges his team hasn't faced in eliminating Orlando and Philadelphia in the

first two rounds.

"It's a little different style that we're going to see," Nurse said. "We're going to have to adjust to that really quickly, obviously, and forget about how happy we are pretty quickly because it's a hungry team. It's a very deep team, a very good team. We're going to have to continue to grow and we're going to have to play better."

Leonard scored 41 points on 16-of-39 shooting in Game 7 against Philadelphia. He topped 30 points five times in the series and averaged 34.7 points overall.

Nurse said Leonard has been playing at an "elite level" in the postseason. Toronto center Marc Gasol agrees with his coach. Leonard "can create a shot out of pretty much nothing," Gasol said. "He's a mismatch all around."

In Antetokounmpo, the Bucks have a similar matchup nightmare for Toronto. The Raptors will need contributions for everyone, including Lowry — who briefly left Game 7 because of a sprained left thumb but returned and played the



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entire second half.

"I couldn't really pass the ball and grip the ball, but that doesn't matter," Lowry

said. "I'm fine."

Milwaukee has been resting since eliminating Boston in Game 5 on Wednesday. □

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"John is one of the most accomplished and innovative basketball minds and leaders in the entire game. He has a unique ability to create an outstanding culture that will promote the development of young players and provide a solid structure to the entire program; not to mention the fact that John Beilein wins everywhere he goes."

From Nazareth College to LeMoyne to Canisius, Richmond, West Virginia and finally to Michigan, Beilein has built a strong reputation for developing young players and teams. He's one of only four coaches to take four schools to the NCAA Tournament, and he leaves Michigan with the most wins in school history. The deal with Beilein came together quickly in the past 24 hours and was finalized Sunday after the Cavs had spent the weekend in Denver interviewing several

NBA assistants. Cleveland is expected to surround Beilein with an experienced staff, and it's possible the team will hire one of the other candidates as an associate head coach.

It took him nearly a decade, but Cavs owner Dan Gilbert finally landed a college coach from Michigan. Gilbert, who went to Michigan State, had made an unsuccessful overture to Spartans coach Tom Izzo in 2009, and has now plucked Beilein from his alma mater's biggest rival.

"We could not be more thrilled to name John Beilein as the new coach of the Cleveland Cavaliers," Gilbert said. "First, John is a great human being. He cares deeply about his players and others who work for him and around him. ... John is a brilliant basketball mind and last but not least, John Beilein is a winner."

Beilein knows he has to



In this March 27, 2019 file photo Michigan head coach John Beilein speaks during a news conference at the NCAA college basketball tournament in Anaheim, Calif.

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work to do in Cleveland. The Cavs are coming off a stormy 19-63 season that followed LeBron James' departure for Los Angeles as a free agent last summer. Just six games in, the team fired Tyronn Lue, the only Cleveland coach or manager to win a major sports championship since 1964.

Beilein had entertained NBA offers in the past,

meeting with Detroit and Orlando before choosing to stay in Ann Arbor, where he managed to make basketball more than just a passing diversion between football seasons.

"We shared some of the best moments of my life together and I will always be grateful for that," Beilein said about his time at Michigan. "At the same time, I

felt very strongly about this new and exciting opportunity with the Cavaliers. ... I love the position the team is in to build and grow and this was something I felt was the perfect fit for me."

Beilein, who is 829-468 (.639) as a college coach, inherits a young Cleveland team that includes All-Star forward Kevin Love, point guard Collin Sexton — who's coming off a strong rookie season — forward Larry Nance Jr. and guard Jordan Clarkson.

Cleveland's roster will get a major upgrade in next month's draft, and if the pingpong balls bounce their way again in the lottery, the Cavs could wind up with Duke All-American Zion Williamson, who electrified college hoops as a freshman.

The Cavs will have a 14 percent chance at getting the No. 1 overall pick, which they've had three times since 2011. □

Martinez homers twice, surging Red Sox sweep Mariners

By The Associated Press

BOSTON (AP) — J.D. Martinez hit two homers, rookie Michael Chavis drove in five runs and the surging Boston Red Sox beat the stumbling Seattle Mariners 11-2 to complete a three-game sweep Sunday at soggy Fenway Park.

The World Series champions have won five straight games and 16 of 22 following a 6-13 start.

Omar Narváez homered for Seattle (20-23), which has lost four in a row and 15 of 19 after opening 13-2. The Mariners were outscored 34-8 in the series, completing a 2-8 trip.

Hector Velázquez (1-2) gave up two runs in five innings for the Red Sox. Marco Gonzales (5-2) gave up four runs, two earned, in four innings.

YANKEES 7, RAYS 1

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP) — Masahiro Tanaka (3-3) matched his season high of seven innings, allowing one run and five hits with seven strikeouts and no walks to outpitch reigning Cy Young Award winner Blake Snell. New York closed back within one-half game of AL East-leading Tampa Bay.

Thairo Estrada homered just after play resumed following a ninth-inning power outage that caused a 43-minute delay.

Snell (3-4) struck out 12 in 5 2/3 innings, giving up two runs, four hits, and two walks. Austin Romine and Michael Tauchman hit consecutive two-out doubles in the fifth, and DJ LeMahieu followed with an RBI single for a 2-0 lead.

ASTROS 15, RANGERS 5

HOUSTON (AP) — George Springer was 5 for 5 with four RBIs and a pair of home runs that increased total to an AL-high 15 as Houston completed a four-game sweep of Texas and extended its winning streak to five.

Alex Bregman also homered twice and tied his career high with five RBIs as the Astros set season highs for runs and hits (18). Corbin Martin (1-0) struck out nine in his major league debut, allowing two runs, three hits and one walk in 5 1/3 in-



Boston Red Sox's J.D. Martinez hits a home run off a pitch by Seattle Mariners' Marco Gonzales during the first inning of a baseball game at Fenway Park, Sunday, May 12, 2019, in Boston.

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nings.

Springer hit his fifth leadoff homer this season and big league-high 29th since the start of 2015, a drive off Adrian Sampson (0-3).

Sampson allowed six runs — five earned — and nine hits in 3 1/3 innings.

WHITE SOX 5, BLUE JAYS 1

TORONTO (AP) — Lucas Giolito (4-1) allowed one run and four hits in seven innings to win his second straight start, matching his season high with eight strikeouts as Chicago beat Toronto.

Tim Anderson and Yonder Alonso homered for Chicago. Toronto lost for the

10th time in 12 games and dropped to a season-worst eight games below .500. The Blue Jays have scored two or fewer in eight of their past 10 games.

Aaron Sanchez (3-4) lost his third straight start, allowing five runs in six innings.

TIGERS 5, TWINS 3

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Nicholas Castellanos was a triple short of the cycle, hitting a two-run homer to lead Detroit past Minnesota.

Daniel Norris (2-1) gave up two runs and six hits in 6 1/3 innings, his longest start since May 24, 2017.

Ehire Adrianza homered and had two hits for the

Twins, but designated hitter Nelson Cruz exited in the seventh inning because of a left wrist injury.

Martin Perez (5-1) left in the sixth after being hit in the left foot by a line drive off Castellanos' bat.

Shane Greene pitched the ninth for his 15th save.

PHILLIES 6, ROYALS 1

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Cole Irvin (1-0) threw seven innings of one-run ball, allowing five hits with one walk and five strikeouts in his major league debut, and Philadelphia beat Kansas City.

J.T. Realmuto hit a two-run double and Odubel Herre-

ra followed with a two-run single in a six-run fifth inning that began off Jakob Junis (3-4). Kansas City has lost 12 consecutive series rubber games, a streak that stretches back to May 30 last year, when the Royals took two of three against Minnesota.

ORIOLES 5, ANGELS 1

BALTIMORE (AP) — Chris Davis homered in his return to the cleanup spot in Baltimore's batting order, going deep for the second time in three games, and the Orioles beat Los Angeles to avoid a three-game sweep.

Davis hit cleanup for the first time since Aug. 27. The 33-year-old is hitting .290 (18 for 62) with five home runs and 17 RBIs since stopping an 0-for-54 skid on April 13.

Davis homered off rookie Griffin Canning (1-1) leading off the second and Stevie Wilkerson went deep two batters later. The Orioles stopped a four-game losing streak.

Mike Trout hit his ninth home run, the major league-high 84th off Baltimore this season, and also walked twice for Los Angeles.

Rookie John Means (5-3) allowed one run, four hits and three walks in six innings, throwing a season-high 110 pitches and lowering his ERA from 2.48 to 2.33.

INDIANS 5, ATHLETICS 3

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Roberto Pérez hit a three-run homer in the sixth inning and Cleveland beat Oakland.

Carlos González and Luluplow reached on consecutive one-out singles against starter Daniel Mengden (0-1). After reliever Ryan Buchter retired Jake Bauers on a liner, Pérez drove a first-pitch fastball deep into the left field stands.

Jefry Rodríguez (1-2) allowed three runs in six innings for his first win. The right-hander gave up six hits and three walks with three strikeouts.

Adam Cimber struck out two of the three batters he faced. Nick Wittgren pitched the eighth and Brad Hand worked a 1-2-3 ninth for his 11th save. □

Jon Lester pitches Cubs past Brewers 4-1 for series win

By The Associated Press

CHICAGO (AP) — Jon Lester pitched 6 2/3 gutsy innings, Kris Bryant hit a two-run homer and Chicago beat Milwaukee to take a weekend series between the top teams in the NL Central.

Lester (3-1) gave Chicago exactly what it needed a day after it used seven relievers during a 2-1 victory in 15 innings. Taking the mound on a rainy, cold night at Wrigley Field, the ace left-hander allowed an unearned run and nine hits while throwing a season-high 116 pitches.

Bryant had three hits and scored three times, reaching safely for a career-best 22nd straight game and helping the division-leading Cubs close out an 8-2 homestand.

Milwaukee wasted a solid start by Jhoulys Chacin (3-4), who permitted two runs, one earned, and six hits in six innings.

PIRATES 10, CARDINALS 6

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Josh Bell hit a tying three-run homer off John Brebbia (1-2) in the seventh and drove in a career-high five runs, and Adam Frazier hit a tie-breaking, pinch-hit double. Pittsburgh scored five times in the seventh inning and twice in the eighth to rally from a 6-3 deficit and beat

St. Louis.

Paul Goldschmidt and José Martínez homered for the Cardinals, who have lost five of six and nine of 11.

Chris Stratton (1-2), acquired from the Los Angeles Angels on Saturday, pitched a scoreless sixth.

ROCKIES 10, PADRES 7

DENVER (AP) — Charlie Blackmon homered twice, Antonio Senzatela pitched effectively into the seventh inning and Colorado held on to beat San Diego.

Raimel Tapia had three hits, including a two-run homer, and pinch-hitter Daniel Murphy hit a three-run double for the Rockies, who took two of three from San Diego.

Greg Garcia singled twice to drive in a pair of runs for the Padres, who lost a road series for the first time this season.

Senzatela (3-2) gave up three runs on four hits in 6 2/3 innings.

Both of Blackmon's homers came off Nick Margevicius (2-4), who allowed five runs on eight hits in five innings.

DODGERS 6, NATIONALS 0

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Hyun-Jin Ryu took a no-hitter into the eighth inning, Corey Seager hit a grand slam and Los Angeles split a four-game series with Washington that featured three shutouts.



Chicago Cubs starting pitcher Jon Lester (34) throws the ball against the Milwaukee Brewers during the first inning of a baseball game, Sunday, May 12, 2019, in Chicago.

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Nationals newcomer Gerardo Parra, who hit a grand slam Saturday night, played spoiler at Dodger Stadium again by breaking up Ryu's no-hit bid with one out in the eighth. Parra drove the left-hander's 105th pitch deep to left-center, where it bounced on the warning track and over the wall for a ground-rule double that ended up being Washington's only hit of the day.

Ryu (5-1) struck out nine in eight innings and threw a career-high 116 pitches, 79 for strikes.

Seager broke the game open in the bottom of the eighth with his second career slam.

Stephen Strasburg (3-3) yielded two runs and four hits in six innings.

GIANTS 6, REDS 5

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Pablo Sandoval homered and doubled in his second three-hit game this season, scoring the go-ahead run on Kevin Pillar's two-out single in the eighth inning to lift San Francisco over Cincinnati.

Sandoval hit a two-run, opposite-field homer to left in the first off Tyler Mahle that tied the score 2-2, his fourth home run this season. He singled in the sixth.

San Francisco trailed 5-4 when Evan Longoria singled off David Hernández (0-2) leading off the eighth. After a run-scoring ground-out, Pillar later singled for his team-leading 22nd RBI.

Tony Watson (2-0) won despite forcing in the go-ahead run with a bases-loaded walk to Tucker Barnhart in the eighth. Will

Smith struck out two in a perfect ninth for his 10th save in as many attempts, and the Giants avoided a three-game sweep.

BRAVES 5, DIAMONDBACKS 3

PHOENIX (AP) — Max Fried (1-2) pitched five effective innings after leaving his last start early, Johan Camargo hit an early two-run single and Atlanta beat Arizona. Tyler Flowers had two RBIs, including a run-scoring triple in the eighth inning.

Luke Jackson allowed two hits in two innings for his fourth save.

Arizona's Zack Godley (1-3) gave up three hits in the second inning, including Ender Inciarte's RBI bloop single to left, and fellow starting pitcher Zack Greinke pinch-hit for him in the bottom half. □

Dylan Larkin lifts U.S. to 3-2 OT win over Finland at worlds

KOSICE, Slovakia (AP) — Dylan Larkin scored with 1:13 left in overtime and Cory Schneider stopped 24 shots, lifting the United States to a 3-2 win over Finland on Monday at the world hockey championship.

Larkin ended the 3-on-3 overtime, carrying the puck inside the right circle and scoring on a wrist shot that got past Veini Vehvilainen's blocker.

The Finns complained about an open-ice hit that wasn't ruled a penalty against the U.S. shortly before Larkin scored the game-winning goal.

Brady Skjei scored in the opening minute and Johnny Gaudreau put the Americans up 2-0 midway through the third period. The Finns rallied to tie the game 2-all with Harri Pesonen's goal in the last minute of the opening period

and Niko Ojamaki's goal midway through the second.

The matchup in Group A featured American center Jack Hughes and Finnish winger Kaapo Kakko, who are expected to be picked No. 1 and 2 overall, respectively, in the NHL draft next month.

Russia stayed undefeated in Group B and handed the Czech Republic its first loss, winning 3-0 in Bratislava. □



Finland's goaltender Veini Vehvilainen, left, makes a save against Dylan Larkin of the US, right, during the Ice Hockey World Championships group A match between the United States and Finland at the Steel Arena in Kosice, Slovakia, Monday, May 13, 2019.

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Serena Williams, of the United States, returns the ball to Sweden's Rebecca Peterson during their match at the Italian Open tennis tournament, in Rome, Monday, May, 13, 2019.

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Serena Williams wins clay opener; sister Venus next in Rome

ROME (AP) — Serena Williams looked sharper than in her previous match two months ago as she opened her clay-court season with a routine 6-4, 6-2 win over Swedish qualifier Rebecca Peterson on Monday. Next up at the Italian Open: Sister Venus Williams in the siblings' first meeting on European clay in nearly 17 years.

Venus, who won her only Rome title 20 years ago, defeated Elise Mertens 7-5, 3-6, 7-6 (4) after more than three hours, requiring nine match points before eliminating her Belgian opponent.

The Williams sisters' last match on red clay came in the 2002 French Open final won by Serena. In their last match in Rome, Venus won their second career meeting way back in the 1998 quarterfinals.

"That's crazy," Serena said. "I vaguely remember that, so I don't really remember. ... We play each other a lot. Seems like every tournament nowadays we meet early. It is what it is."

Serena is now a 37-year-old mother and Venus is 38.

"It doesn't change at all. We're just as fierce, Venus is just as fierce," Serena said. "We both really want to get some match play. We'll both do the best that we can."

Serena leads the career series 18-12.

"I know that she's going to play really well and compete really well," Venus said. "That's a given."

In March at the Miami Open, Serena needed three sets to beat Peterson. "It's been a while. I haven't played a ton of matches this year," Serena said. "Not my choice, just by force. I really, really actually desperately wanted to be on the tour and to be playing. It felt good to finally be back out. Hopefully, I'll be able to keep it up."

Serena fell behind 3-1 in the first set but then began to take control with her baseline power on a windy day at the Foro Italico.

When Serena ran down a passing attempt from Peterson and replied with a cross-court winner to break for 5-2 in the second set, she let out a scream and bent over as she pumped both of her fists.

In the final game, Serena served two aces and saved two break points before closing out the first-round match.

Serena finished with 28 winners to Peterson's eight, and committed only two more unforced errors than the 58th-ranked Swede, 22-20.

Serena was playing for the first time since withdrawing

ahead of her third-round match in Miami because of a left knee injury. The last time Serena played in Rome was in 2016 when she won the last of her four Italian Open trophies. Serena is playing only her fourth tournament of the season and was unable to finish her last two due to physical ailments.

"I haven't been able to train or practice a lot. I was out much longer than I expected," Serena said. "But I did everything I could to stay fit and to keep my cardio up. I knew that I love the clay season and I wanted to be a part of it."

In men's action, Italy's top player Fabio Fognini wore a shirt featuring a design of Rome's skyline during a 6-3, 6-4 win over Jo-Wilfried Tsonga; and Borna Coric rallied past Felix Auger-Aliassime 6-7 (4), 6-3, 6-4 in a matchup of two of the top young players on tour. Auger-Aliassime struggled with his serve, hitting seven double-faults to Coric's one.

Also, Karen Khachanov overcame a partisan crowd to beat Italian wild card Lorenzo Sonego 6-3, 6-7 (1), 6-3; while last year's French Open semifinalist Marco Cecchinato was inspired by the home fans to beat Alex Di Minaur 4-6, 6-3, 6-1. □



Spain's Fernando Gaviria, third from left, and Italy's Elia Viviani sprint during the third stage of the Giro d'Italia, tour of Italy cycling race from Vinci to Orbetello, Monday, May 13, 2019.

Associated Press

Gaviria wins Giro stage 3 after Viviani relegated for sprint

ORBETELLO, Italy (AP) — Elia Viviani was stripped of winning the third stage at the Giro d'Italia on Monday. Viviani was ruled by the race jury to have deviated from his line in the final sprint in Orbetello, even touching wheels with Italian compatriot Matteo Moschetti. Viviani finished second on Sunday and thought he'd made up for it on Monday at the end of the 220-kilometer (137-mile) route from Vinci.

Instead, Fernando Gaviria of Colombia was given the win, with Arnaud Demare second and Pascal Ackermann third.

"It's difficult to smile or to be happy when something like this happens to a friend," Gaviria said. "I'm disappointed for him because for me nothing happened. For me he's the winner."

"The decision is extreme. He never looked back to see who was behind him so he didn't do it with any intent. He only wanted to win, not to damage someone. He's always been correct, a great racer. I'm disappointed for him."

Viviani left the finish zone after the decision without speaking to journalists and with an angry expression, in contrast to his joy when he was interviewed immediately after crossing the line.

He used that interview to apologize to Moschetti and revealed how much Sunday's disappointment played on his mind.

"Yesterday I made a mistake. I thought about it all night," Viviani said.

Slovenian cyclist Primož Roglic remained the overall leader.

Roglic, who won the opening time trial on Saturday, is 19 seconds ahead of British cyclist Simon Yates, and 23 seconds ahead of home favorite Vincenzo Nibali.

The peloton had a relatively easy day, which was characterized by strong crosswinds at the finish and a long solo ride from lone escape Sho Hatanaka. The Japanese cyclist raced about 144 kilometers on his own before being caught 75 kilometers from the finish. "It was an easy day actually because only one guy in the front, all day nothing," Roglic said. "But it was quite windy and then the stress at the end. The team did the perfect job and we finished without any problems."

The fourth stage on Tuesday is an undulating 234-kilometer route from Orbetello to Frascati, with an uphill finish which could see a change in the pink jersey. The Giro finishes in Verona on June 2. □

IndyCar and NASCAR roar into showcase month of May

By JENNA FRYER

AP Auto Racing Writer

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) —

The most prolific month in motorsports arrived with two strong races with IndyCar and NASCAR both opening May with momentum-grabbing entertaining events that should carry the series through their Memorial Day showcases.

Simon Pagenaud, his future with Team Penske shaky because of a 21-race losing streak, stalked five-time IndyCar champion Scott Dixon in the rain around Indianapolis Motor Speedway in the closing laps of its road course race. Then the Frenchman completed a phenomenal late pass to win the Grand Prix and prove he's fighting hard for his job.

Hours later at Kansas Speedway, Brad Keselowski closed out one of the more entertaining NASCAR races of the season with an overtime victory that gave team owner Roger Penske a sweep of the day. More specifically, six different Penske drivers tallied five victories in four series spanning nine days to open May — The Captain's favorite time of the year.

Penske, a 17-time winner of the Indianapolis 500, this year celebrates the 50th anniversary of his first Indy entry.

This is a celebratory month for motorsports, a time for series to shine leading into the Sunday before Memorial Day, considered the biggest single day of racing in the world. Formula One will scream through the streets of Monaco early May 26, then IndyCar and "The Greatest Spectacle in Racing" take the stage at IMS. NASCAR closes the day with the Coca-Cola 600, a grueling race of attrition and one of the few remaining crown jewel events on the schedule.

The stage is set for IndyCar and NASCAR to dazzle a new audience, make new fans, and prove racing isn't a dying sport.

Both series got strong starts with last Saturday's double-header, a Pagenaud and Keselowski sweep, and the

anticipation carries into Tuesday when Indianapolis officially opens for the 500. IndyCar is enjoying a resurgence and slow, steady growth in both the series and its spotlight event.

McLaren is entering the 500 as an independent entry — the first McLaren at Indy since 1976 — and Fernando Alonso, the popular retired Formula One champion, is back for a second attempt at winning the "Triple Crown." Oriol Servia was expected to become the 36th entrant, which means real bumping in this weekend's qualifying. Three drivers won't make the 500, and Penske has joined Michael Andretti and Chip Ganassi among the heavyweight owners wondering if IndyCar's full-time teams should be exempt from bumping.

A new qualifying format will make for a tense Sunday session, all played out live as NBC rehearses for the 500 and its first broadcast of one of sports television's true iconic properties.

NASCAR, meanwhile, has its \$1 million All-Star event Saturday night at Charlotte Motor Speedway and with it comes a chance for the series to string together consecutive competitive events. A snoozer of a race two weeks ago at Dover created the feeling a driver mutiny was looming over a rules package that has so far failed to meet expectations.

NASCAR this season introduced the new package in an effort to improve the racing, but many drivers warned it wasn't going to work. The package hasn't been awful, and many of this year's races have been watchable, which is an improvement from last season. But the package has not lived up to the hype and drivers have voiced their frustration.

Many drivers spent last week complaining NASCAR will not listen to their input and the lousy Dover race is the just result. But then came Saturday night at Kansas Speedway, in cooler temperatures, and the package finally delivered a compelling race.



Simon Pagenaud, of France, above, celebrates after winning the Indy GP IndyCar auto race at Indianapolis Motor Speedway, Saturday, May 11, 2019, in Indianapolis; and below, Brad Keselowski celebrates in Victory Lane following the NASCAR Cup Series auto race at Kansas Speedway in Kansas City, Kan., Saturday, May 11, 2019.

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The race went to overtime and the 23 lead changes were one short of the total combined lead changes in both Kansas Cup races last year.

That gives hope for the All-Star race, which last year was a de facto test of the new rules package. The race was created as a no-holds-barred Saturday night shootout for a cool \$1 million payday and for two decades it delivered. But the luster has worn off — partly because the racing just hasn't been very good — and Charlotte track president Marcus Smith is con-

sidering moving the event to Nashville next season if Speedway Motorsports Inc. can get that property up and running.

Smith still believes Saturday night at Charlotte will be a show unlike any other on the NASCAR calendar, and another opportunity for the series to shine during this important month. He's a huge supporter of NASCAR using the event to test new rules and ideas, as well as opening up research and development to teams in what could be a showcase of the greatest minds in the sport.

"You can't test racing in practice because you're not actually racing if you're not racing for money and I think (that R&D element) is an important part from a competition standpoint of the All-Star race," Smith said. "But from a fan and a driver standpoint, it is very similar to what happens in the NBA with the All-Star Game, or Major League Baseball during its All-Star week — it is a change of pace, a marker in the season that people can kind of let their hair down a little bit, have fun and do something different." □

Apps cost too much? Antitrust lawsuit adds to Apple's woes

By MARK SHERMAN and MICHAEL LIEDTKE

Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Consumers can pursue a lawsuit complaining that iPhone apps cost too much, the Supreme Court ruled on Monday, adding to Apple's woes that already include falling iPhone sales and a European investigation.

The lawsuit could have major implications for the tech giant's handling of the more than 2 million apps in Apple's App Store, where users get much of the software for their smartphones. While most of those apps are free to download, some impose fees for people to use the software and subscribe to the services.

In those cases, Apple charges a commission of 30%, a practice that the lawsuit contends unfairly drives up the price for the apps. Justice Brett Kavanaugh wrote the majority opinion that agreed the antitrust lawsuit can move forward in a lower court.

The court's four liberal justices joined Kavanaugh, one of President Donald Trump's two high court appointees, to reject a plea



In this May 31, 2018, file photo customers enter the Apple store in New York.

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from Apple to end the lawsuit at this early stage. The decision did not involve the merits of the suit.

Apple argues it's merely a pipeline between app developers and consumers, and that iPhone users have no claims against Apple under antitrust law and a 1977 Supreme Court decision. Tens of thousands of developers create the software and set the price,

Apple says.

But Kavanaugh made clear that consumers deal with Apple, not software developers.

"The iPhone owners purchase apps directly from the retailer Apple," he said, describing a relationship sufficient to allow the lawsuit to go forward.

Justice Neil Gorsuch, Trump's other high court pick, wrote a dissent for

four conservative justices, saying that the consumers' complaint against Apple is the kind of case that a 42-year-old decision, in Illinois Brick Co. v. Illinois, was intended to prevent. The court in that case "held that an antitrust plaintiff can't sue a defendant for overcharging someone else who might (or might not) have passed on all (or some) of the overcharge to

him," Gorsuch wrote. "Yet today the court lets a pass-on case proceed."

The ruling threatens to throw another monkey wrench in Apple's efforts to increase the revenue generated from its app store at a time that its iPhone sales have plunged into their deepest slump since that revolutionary product hit the market 12 years ago.

To counter the iPhone sales drop, Apple is trying to make more money from selling services such as its music subscription service, as well as a forthcoming Netflix-like video service while also taking a cut from the subscriptions and other transactions done on apps downloaded on iPhones and iPads.

The effort has been largely successful, helping to transform the Apple services division that includes the app store into the fastest growing part of the company. Apple's most recent quarter highlight the ongoing transformation as its services division revenue surged 16% percent from the previous year to \$11.5 billion while iPhone sales plunged 17% to \$31 billion. □

Apple revamps TV app for direct subscriptions to channels

NEW YORK (AP) — Apple users will be able to subscribe to HBO, Showtime and a handful of other channels directly through Apple's new TV app, bypassing

the need to download or launch a separate app.

The new capabilities available Monday come ahead of Apple's plan to offer its own original shows, includ-

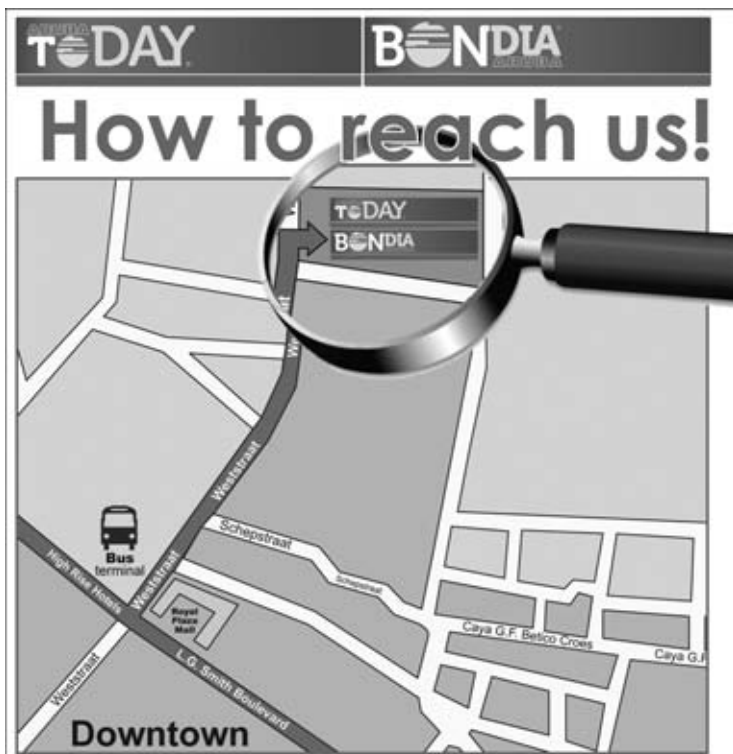
ing ones from Oprah Winfrey and Steven Spielberg. Those shows will be part of an Apple TV Plus subscription coming later this year for a yet-to-be disclosed

add-ons to their regular subscriptions, and both have original shows. Apple is trying to catch up on streaming video to make up for a slowdown in iPhone sales.

iPhones, iPads or Apple TV, buying subscriptions through Apple will allow users to watch those videos directly in Apple's app.

They'll also be able to download videos to watch when there isn't an internet connection, something not always available through the individual apps.

One catch: Subscriptions through the new Apple TV app and individual channel apps are treated separately. So to get the download feature, users would need to cancel their existing HBO subscription and sign up again through Apple TV. Once they do that, they'll no longer be able to watch through HBO's own app. The new Apple TV app will also incorporate shows and movies bought through Apple's iTunes store and will introduce a new section with kid-friendly videos. □



In this March 25, 2019, file photo Peter Stern, Apple Vice President of Services, speaks at the Steve Jobs Theater during an event to announce new products in Cupertino, Calif.

Associated Press

price.

Hulu and Amazon already offer premium channels as

Although those channels are already available as part of individual apps for

Escalating US-China trade war sends stocks plunging

By DAMIAN J. TROISE
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The Dow Jones Industrial Average plunged more than 700 points Monday as investors sought shelter from an escalating trade war between the U.S. and China.

The Dow and S&P 500 index each fell more than 2% as investors sold trade-sensitive shares in a broad sell-off that extended the market's slide into a second week.

Technology stocks led the way lower, with digital storage companies and chip-makers among the big decliners. Heavy equipment makers Deere and Caterpillar drove losses in the industrial sector.

The world's largest economies had seemed on track to resolve the ongoing trade dispute that has raised prices for consumers and pinched corporate profit margins. Investor confidence that the two sides were close to a resolution had helped push the market to its best yearly start in decades.

Those hopes are now being dashed and replaced by concerns that the trade war could crimp what is otherwise a mostly healthy economy. Analysts have



In this May 9, 2019, file photo trader Jonathan Corpina works on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange.

Associated Press

warned that failed trade talks and the deterioration in relations will put a dent in the U.S. and China's economic prospects.

The Dow dove 711 points, or 2.7%, to 25,230 as of 1:24 p.m. Eastern Time. Boeing and Caterpillar fell the most in the Dow. Both companies get a significant amount of revenue from China and stand to lose heavily if the trade war drags on. Boeing slid 4.8% and Caterpillar was 5.4% lower.

The broader S&P 500 in-

dex fell 2.8%. The benchmark index is coming off its worst week since January, though it's still up sharply for the year. The Nasdaq, which is heavily weighted with technology stocks, slid 3.5%, on track for its biggest daily loss of the year.

Technology stocks were bearing the heaviest losses. Apple fell 6.1% and Cisco slid 4.2%. Seagate Technology dropped and chip-maker Microchip Technology each gave up 6.9%. Chipmakers and other

technology companies have warned that uncertainty over the trade war's outcome is prompting a slowdown in orders.

Bank stocks also fell sharply. Bank of America dropped 4.6% and JPMorgan Chase fell 2.9%.

Safe-play holdings were the only winners as traders sought to reduce their exposure to risk. Utilities were the only sector to rise on the stock market, and prices for U.S. government bonds, which are consid-

ered ultra-safe investments, rose sharply, sending yields lower. The yield on the 10-year Treasury fell to 2.39% from 2.45% late Friday.

Overseas markets also fell. European indexes were mostly down a bit more than 1%. In Asia, the Shanghai Composite index fell 1.2%. Japan's Nikkei 225 index gave up 0.7% and South Korea's Kospi fell 1.4%.

Trade talks between the U.S. and China concluded Friday with no agreement and with the U.S. increasing import tariffs on \$200 billion of Chinese goods to 25% from 10%. Officials also said they were preparing to expand tariffs to cover another \$300 billion of goods. China on Monday announced tariff increases on \$60 billion of US imports.

Analysts have said investors should prepare for a more volatile stock market while the trade dispute deepens. Many are still confident that both sides will eventually reach a deal.

"Since we see a trade accord being reached in the not-too-distant future, we don't expect the market to endure more than a short-lived spate of indigestion," said Sam Stovall, chief investment strategist at CFRA. □

Amazon offers to help employees start delivery business

By JOSEPH PISANI
Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — Amazon, which is racing to deliver packages faster, is turning to its employees with a proposition: Quit your job and we'll help you start a business delivering Amazon packages.

The offer, announced Monday, comes as Amazon seeks to speed up its shipping time from two days to one for its Prime members. The company sees the new incentive as a way to get more packages delivered to shoppers' doorsteps faster.

Amazon says it will cover up to \$10,000 in startup costs for employees who are accepted into the program

and leave their jobs. The company says it will also pay them three months' worth of their salary.

The offer is open to most part-time and full-time Amazon employees, including warehouse workers who pack and ship orders. Whole Foods employees are not eligible to receive the new incentives.

Seattle-based Amazon.com Inc. declined to say how many employees it expects to take them up on the offer.

The new employee incentive is part of a program Amazon started a year ago that let anyone apply to launch an independent Amazon delivery business and provided \$10,000 in

reimbursements to military veterans.

The program's expansion is part of the company's plan to control more of its deliveries on its own, rather than rely on UPS, the post office and other carriers. Startup costs start at \$10,000 and contractors that participate are able to lease blue vans with the Amazon smile logo stamped on the side. Overall, more than 200 Amazon delivery businesses have been created since it launched the program last June, said John Felton, Amazon's vice president of global delivery services.

One of them is run by Milton Collier, a freight broker who started his business in Atlanta about eight months ago.



In this Aug. 3, 2017, file photo, packages ride on a conveyor system at an Amazon fulfillment center in Baltimore.

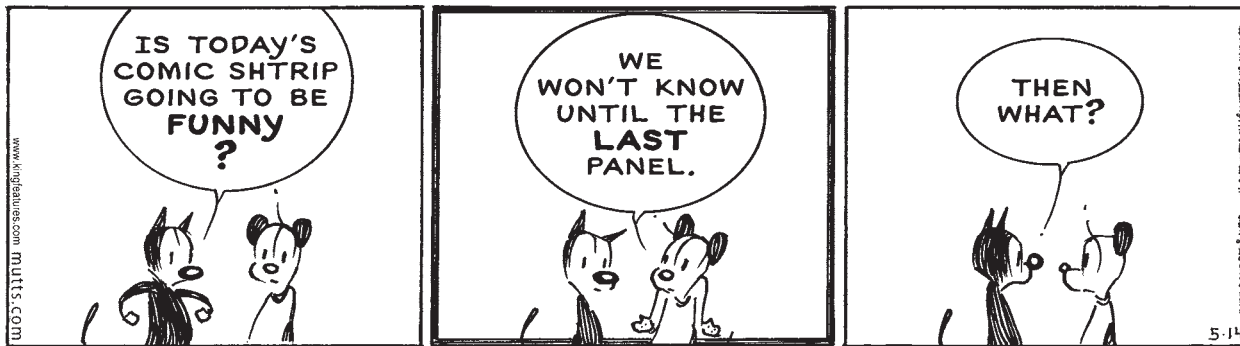
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Since then, it has grown to 120 employees with a fleet of 50 vans that can handle up to 200 delivery stops in a day. It has already been

preparing for the one-day shipping switch by hiring more people.

"We're ready," says Collier. □

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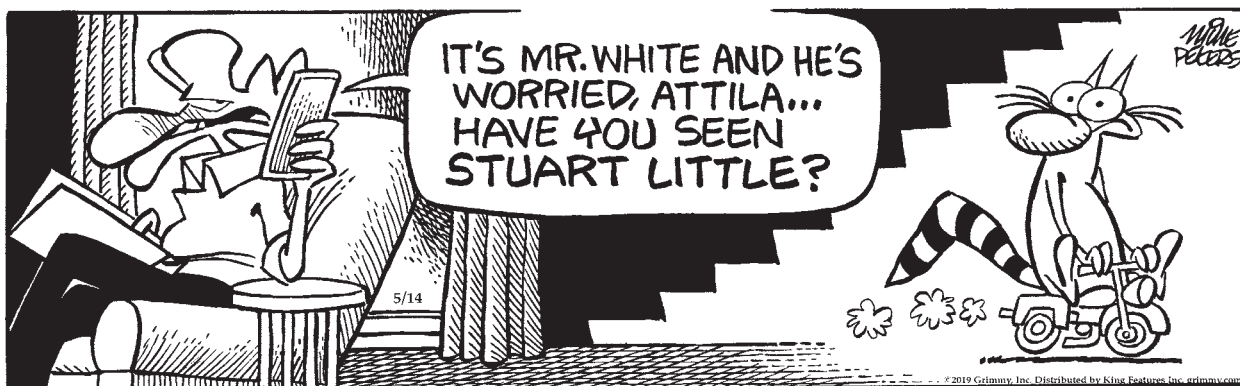
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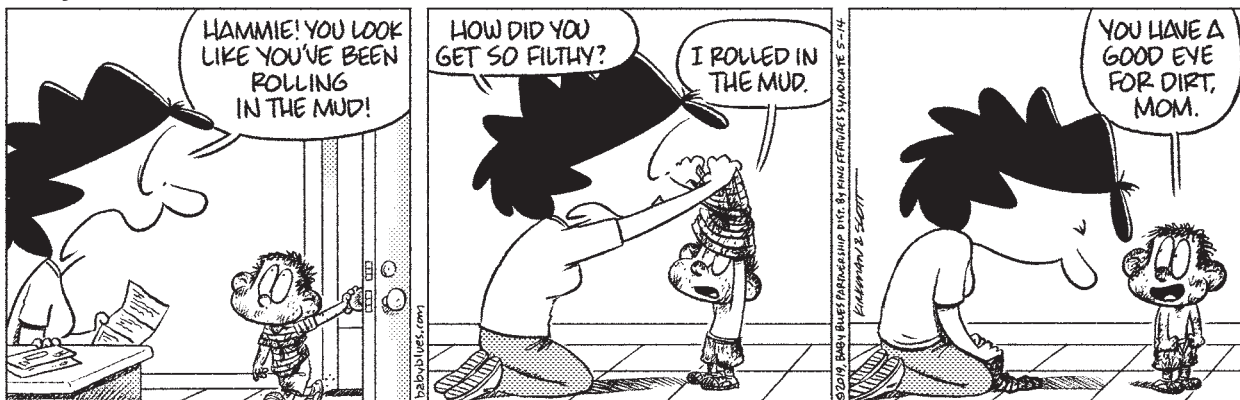
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Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

Yesterday's puzzle answer

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9 Lose one's footing
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16 Warsaw native
17 Join forces
18 Unable
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23 Most uncommon
24 Earnest requests
26 Prefix for place or print
27 Yacht dock
29 Tendons
32 In the air
33 In poor taste
35 "...Humpty Dumpty __ a great fall..."
37 Sheltered inlet
38 Enlarges a hole
39 Rank's partner, in phrase
40 That girl
41 Helsinki folks
42 Do a waiter's job
43 Floating without an anchor
45 Not as fresh
46 Tiny folklore fellow
47 Soiled
48 "The __ in the Dell"
51 Make __ story; lie
52 Sizable
55 Fair; just
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60 Cousin's mom
61 Barn baby
62 Tear to bits
63 Tattered cloths
64 Passing crazes
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45 Drink slowly
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48 Apprehension
49 Prefix for marine or plane
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equivalents, for short
56 Deadly critter
57 Youth
59 Sorority letter

St. Louis Zoo celebrates orangutan's 50th birthday

Associated Press

ST. LOUIS (AP) — A popular animal at the St. Louis Zoo is celebrating a milestone birthday: Merah (MEER'-ah) the Sumatran orangutan is 50 years old.

Merah reached the half-century mark Monday. She was born May 13, 1969, at a zoo in the Netherlands. She came to St. Louis in 1992.

Merah is a five-time mother, grandmother of two and great-grandmother of one.

The zoo says that when Merah gave birth to Ginger in 2014 at age 45, she became the oldest Sumatran orangutan in the Association of Zoos and Aquariums Orangutan Species Survival Plan to give birth and rear her offspring.

Sumatran, Bornean and Tapanuli orangutan species are classified as critically endangered due to habitat loss. The zoo says fewer than 125,000 orangutans remain in the wild. □



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Aztec allies ritually disfigured captured Spaniards' remains

MEXICO CITY (AP) — New research suggests an Aztec-allied town ceremonially disfigured the bodies of captive Spaniards during one of the worst defeats in the Spanish Conquest of 1519-21, experts said Wednesday.

The heads of the captive Spanish women were strung up on skull racks alongside those of men. An analysis of the bones revealed the women were pregnant, and in pre-Hispanic practice that may have qualified them as "warriors." Another sacrificial offering included one woman's body that was cut in half near the remains of a dismembered child of 3 or 4.

The National Institute of Anthropology and History said the offerings were excavated at the Zultepec-Tecoaque site just east of Mexico City. Zultepec was an Aztec-allied town that in 1520 captured a convoy of about 15 male Spaniards, 50 women and 10 children, 45 foot soldiers who included Cubans of African and indigenous descent, and about 350 allies from indigenous groups in what is now Mexico. All were apparently sacrificed over the space of months.

But the dismemberments were not random acts of bloodthirstiness or revenge. Rather, the experts said, the inhabitants of Zultepec were re-creating or imitating mythological scenes with the bodies.

"The inhabitants of Zultepec were re-creating creation myths," archaeologist Enrique Martinez said.

For example, one Spanish

male was dismembered and burned to replicate the mythical fates of Aztec-era gods, according to one myth known as "El Quinto Sol," or Fifth Sun.

The convoy was comprised of people sent from Cuba in a second expedition a year after Hernan Cortes' initial landing in 1519 and they were heading to the Aztec capital with supplies and the conquerors' possessions. Cortes had been forced to leave the convoy on its own while trying to rescue his troops from an uprising in what is now Mexico City.

Members of the captured convoy were held prisoner in door-less cells, where they were fed over six months, the experts said. Little by little, the town sacrificed and apparently ate the horses, men and women. But pigs brought by the Spaniards for food were apparently viewed with such suspicion that they were killed whole and left uneaten. In contrast, the skeletons of the captured Europeans were torn apart and bore cut marks indicating the meat was removed from the bones.

The town then took on the name Tecoaque, which means "the place where they ate them" in Nahuatl, the Aztec language.

When Cortes learned what happened to his followers, he sent troops there on a punitive expedition. The inhabitants tried to hide all remains of the Spaniards by tossing them in shallow wells and abandoned the town.

Cortes went on to conquer the Aztec capital in 1521. □



In this photo taken on Saturday, April 4, 2019, Yiannoula Lazarou lights a fire underneath a replica of a 5th millennium B.C. perfume distiller that was discovered in the ancient Mesopotamian settlement of Tepe Gawra near modern-day Mosul, Iraq, at an ancient perfume theme park and museum in Korakou, Cyprus.

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More than a scent: Cyprus promoting its perfume past

By **MENELAOS HADJICOSTIS**
Associated Press

KORAKOU, Cyprus (AP) — Before Cyprus gained fame as the mythical birthplace of the goddess of love Aphrodite nearly three millennia ago, Cyprus was known around the Mediterranean for its perfumes, scents that the mighty queens of Egypt coveted.

What appears to have distinguished the Cypriot fragrances was the quality of the rich olive oil in which the ancient perfumers captured the musky scent of indigenous oak moss, citrusy bergamot and labdanum or rockrose. This was done through a distillation process using clay vases of exacting dimensions.

"Perfume is the symbol of life," said Maria Rosaria Belgiorno, a retired professor with Italy's National Council for Research whose own archaeological digs on the east Mediterranean island 15 years ago unearthed the oldest perfumery of the Bronze Age.

Perfumes hide the smell of the dead and of decay. They, according to Belgiorno, have a "spiritual connection" to life.

And that connection is one of the motivations behind a

new perfume theme park nestled in Cyprus' verdant Solea valley, which allows visitors to recreate those ancient perfumes in the traditional way, with replicas of the ancient clay distillers extracting the scents from the locally grown herbs over an open fire.

Belgiorno says evidence to the popularity of Cyprus' fragrances is found in a reference to a Cypriot perfume merchant inscribed on 4,000 year-old tablets found in the ancient Greek city of Thebes. That reference pre-dates the emergence of the deity Aphrodite, meaning Cyprus was famous for its perfumes before it gave birth to the ancients' love goddess.

The origins of perfume-making are believed to date back to 5,000 B.C. in ancient Mesopotamia, where archaeological digs in the early 20th century near the city of Mosul in modern-day Iraq turned up the first evidence of such activity.

From there, perfume-making migrated to Anatolia and then to the Mediterranean and beyond, with perfumeries discovered in such diverse places as Sardinia and Slovakia.

It was a long journey to perfume's modern spiritual home in France.

For thousands of years, Cypriots — from the highest echelons of nobility to the average commoner — produced and used perfumes. The popularity of those fragrances carried through the ancient Egyptians to the Templars, medieval Venetian merchants and up to the present. Early on in the last century, famed French perfumer Francois Coty created the perfume Chypre — French for Cyprus — which is one of the seven main perfume groups and the only one that bears the name of a place.

The Italian Research National Council, along with Belgiorno, has teamed up with the Lazarou family that runs a successful herbal business to build the park which rests on a parcel of the family's farmland near the village of Korakou.

The park puts on display a range of working replicas including those from the earliest known perfumery in the Mesopotamian Tepe Gawra settlement, from the Minoan era on Crete — of Minotaur fame — and of course from Cyprus. □



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On eve of festival, Cannes defends its record on women

By JAKE COYLE
Associated Press

CANNES, France (AP) — A year after 82 women protested en masse on the red carpet, the Cannes Film Festival on Monday defended its record on female filmmakers and for the first time divulged data on its selection process. Addressing reporters on the eve of the 72nd Cannes Film Festival, Thierry Fremaux spoke at length, both touting the festival's strides in gender parity and bristling at what he described as Cannes' being held to an impossible standard. Issues of gender equality have resonated particularly in Cannes, where only one female filmmaker (Jane Campion, in 1993 for "The Piano") has ever won the festival's top award, the Palme d'Or, and where women directors have never numbered more than four in the main slate of approximately 20 films. Not wearing high heels has even, as recently as four years ago, been a reason for denying entry to a premiere. Cannes is also where Harvey Weinstein for decades was a prominent regular. At the festival's closing ceremony last May, Italian filmmaker Asia Argento declared on the stage: "In 1997, I was raped by Harvey Weinstein here at Cannes. I



A view of the Palais des festivals during the 72nd international film festival, Cannes, southern France, Monday, May 13, 2019.

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was 21-years-old. This festival was his hunting ground." (Weinstein has denied the encounter was rape.) Following pressure by 50/50x2020, the French sister group to Time's Up, Fremaux last May signed a pledge — with Cate Blanchett, Ava DuVernay and others looking on — promising to make the festival's selection process more transparent and to push their executive boards toward gender parity. This year, Cannes's selection committee was 50 percent female for the first time. On the recommen-

dation of 50/50x2020, the festival created a space for nursing mothers, which it dubbed Le Ballon Rouge. And four films directed by women were selected for competition, matching the previous record set in 2011. Cannes on Monday offered a dose of transparency on its selection process, including who sat on the selection committee. That, too, had been a suggestion of 50/50x2020. The festival said that it received 1,845 feature film submissions from 39 countries, 26% were directed by women. Its official selection of 69 films,

both features and shorts, included 19 films directed by women, or 27.5%. Still, some have said Cannes isn't progressing coming quickly enough, noting that it trails parity rates of other major festivals, including recent editions of Berlin, Sundance and Toronto. For the second time in two years, Fremaux held a press conference defending Cannes from its critics, the day before Jim Jarmusch's "The Dead Don't Die" will open the festival. "When we signed this charter, the idea was never that the selection would

be based on gender parity," Fremaux said Monday. "All the films in the official selection — and there are 15 women directors in all, 20 if you add the shorts — all these films are there because in our view as the people who selected the films, they really deserve to have been selected." "There have never been so many women directors in the official selection because there have never been so many women directors in the industry as a whole," said Fremaux. Cannes, Fremaux said, is criticized in a way that other festivals and social organizations are not. "The Cannes Film Festival has to be impeccable and absolutely perfect. Of course we try to be perfect," said Fremaux. "No one has asked me to have 50% of films made by women. That would show a lack of respect." 50/50x2020 said it will review the findings in a press conference in Cannes on Friday. This year's festival has also attracted some backlash to its selections. In competition is Abdellatif Kechiche, whose "Blue Is the Warmest Color" won the Palme d'Or in 2013. In October, Paris authorities launched an investigation into a sexual assault allegation against the director. □

Tense 'If She Wakes' moves to a surprising finale

By OLIVE H. COGDILL
Associated Press

"If She Wakes" (Little, Brown), by Michael Koryta Multi-award winning author Michael Koryta again shows his affinity for smoothly melding sophisticated action with solid character development — even when one of the individuals is in a coma — as happens in "If She Wakes." "If She Wakes" not only works well as a quintessential thriller but also as a tale about rebuilding one's life and not giving up on one's self amid insurmountable odds. Bright, personable Tara

Beckley, a student at Maine's Hammel College, ends up in a coma after being injured in a horrific car accident in which visiting professor Amandi Oltamu is killed. Tara had been driving Amandi to deliver the keynote speech about his groundbreaking work on batteries and solar panels. The professor insisted they take an alternate route and had wanted them to stop on a bridge so he could take photographs with his phone when they were struck by another vehicle. Hammel College hires insurance investigator Abby

Kaplan to look into the collision to avoid any lawsuits over the death or Tara's hospital bills. But Abby is a former stunt driver with an encyclopedic knowledge of accidents, having recently been in a high-profile collision that resulted in a fatality. It soon becomes clear that this accident could not have happened as the police reports stated. Soon more deaths linked to the incident occur. As Abby investigates, Tara remains in the locked-in syndrome, able to hear what is going on around her in the hospital room but unable to communicate.

While "If She Wakes" is a stand-alone thriller, Koryta brings back, in a way, brothers Jack and Patrick Blackwell, professional killers who first appeared in 2014's "Those Who Wish Me Dead." While the brothers are now dead, their legacy looms large, especially in the form of Dax Blackwell, a teenage assassin who is more violent than his father or uncle. Koryta is such a polished writer that his plots zip by as he delves into the amorality of Dax and the humanity of Abby and Tara, whose personality emerges, despite being paralyzed. □



This cover image released by Little, Brown and Company shows "If She Wakes," by Michael Koryta.

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Gabrielle Union, Jessica Alba in charge of 'L.A.'s Finest'

By LYNN ELBER
LOS ANGELES (AP) — Expanding a comic book's mythology can bring slighted characters to the forefront. That's also the case with "L.A.'s Finest," a TV series riff on the 2003 "Bad Boys II" movie in which women, notably women of color, are driving the action. Gabrielle Union pursued the idea of reprising Syd Burnett, her character from the film who's on a new

path as a Los Angeles police detective, with Jessica Alba joining her as detective Nancy McKenna. They're also in charge behind the camera, as executive producers on the series debuting Monday on the new Spectrum on-demand platform.

It's a measure, they say, of hard-won confidence in what they can do and in their value, despite entrenched resistance from



This image released by Spectrum Originals shows Gabrielle Union, left, and Jessica Alba in a scene from "L.A.'s Finest."

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the entertainment industry. Both are entrepreneurs outside of Hollywood — Alba with her baby and home products company, and Union with a fashion line.

When the two joined to talk about the series, they expanded the discussion to how newcomers such as Spectrum have created opportunities that were being dribbled out by broadcast networks. Here's a sampling of what they had to say, edited for brevity.

WHO'S THE BOSS?

Union: There's a pleasure in Jessica and I both being executive producers and creating a show where it's not one bad-ass woman but two bad-ass women, and two bad-ass women of color who are not only bosses in real life but bosses in front of and behind the camera. And for us to both be executive producers and to have a major say-so of what goes into the show and the experience in making the show, is by far one of the most rewarding and fulfilling things of my career.

Alba: We got to create an environment that we hadn't ever been part of, or we haven't seen ourselves in Hollywood over our 20 years-plus experience in the business. When Gab (Gabrielle) asked me to be part of the show, I said, "Here's some table

stakes. I'm breastfeeding my newborn son, I have a 7- and 10-year-old, and I never want to feel weird or awkward about them being part of my life. They will come to set, and that needs to be cool with everyone. And if it's not, then this isn't the show that I should be part of." We always tried to be as effective and efficient as possible, but then also have a really supportive community where people's families can come to set.

RIGHT PLACE, RIGHT TIME

Alba: When the story originally was being developed for a network, they very much wanted to fit us inside of these buckets or stereotypes, while we wanted to break out of those boundaries. At Spectrum, the women running the network really wanted us just to create the best show, and in that we got to create cool characters that have rich lives. They're flawed. They're complicated. They don't always agree. They're not competitive. They complement each other. But they also have fun and they're funny and they're witty and they're girls that you want to like grab a beer with or a shot of tequila with or cry with. And you just don't get to see women in this way.

Union: A lot of networks

in the last few years have talked a big game about wanting diversity and inclusion — "We want shows headed by women, we want strong female leads." And the proof is in the pudding, and that that pudding is a little thin. But what you see on cable and streaming is people who actually walk the walk and talk the talk, and they put the money and resources behind developing, creating and actually putting on air shows with not one but two women, and two women of color who are allowed to be full-bodied, multi-dimensional characters. That's really never happened in any sort of meaningful way on network television.

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Alba: If we grandstand and say, "Hey, we're in this show and because we're women of color, you should tune in, that's (bull). We don't care about that. You're tuning in because it's cool and it works. The story lines work. They're rich. They're interesting, they're mysterious. The jokes are funny. They're not corny or cheesy. And we're not relying on any sort of stereotypical thing out there to get by. If it's successful or not, we all can look around and I think we can be really proud of what we've produced. □

Doris Day, actress who honed wholesome image, dies at 97

By JULIA RUBIN
Associated Press

Doris Day, the sunny blond actress and singer whose frothy comedic roles opposite the likes of Rock Hudson and Cary Grant made her one of Hollywood's biggest stars in the 1950s and '60s and a symbol of wholesome American womanhood, died Monday. She was 97.

In more recent years, Day had been an animal rights advocate. Her Doris Day Animal Foundation confirmed her death at her Carmel Valley, California, home.

Day "had been in excellent physical health for her age" but had recently contracted pneumonia, the foundation said in a statement. She requested that no memorial services be held and no grave marker erected.

With her lilting contralto, fresh-faced beauty and glowing smile, Day was a top box-office draw and recording artist known for comedies such as "Pillow Talk" and "That Touch of Mink," as well as songs like "Whatever Will Be, Will Be (Que Sera, Sera)" from the Alfred Hitchcock film "The Man Who Knew Too Much." Over time, she became more than a name above the title. Right down to her cheerful, alliterative stage name, she stood for the era's ideal of innocence and G-rated love, a parallel world to her contemporary Marilyn Monroe. The running joke, attributed to both Groucho Marx and actor-composer Oscar Levant, was that they had known Day "before she was a virgin."

Day herself was no Doris Day, by choice and by hard luck. Her 1976 tell-all book, "Doris Day: Her Own Story," chronicled her money troubles and three failed marriages.

"I have the unfortunate reputation of being Miss Goody Two-Shoes, America's Virgin, and all that, so I'm afraid it's going to shock some people for me to say this, but I staunchly believe no two people should get married until they have lived together," she wrote.



In this April 15, 1955, file photo, American actress and singer Doris Day holds a bouquet of roses at Le Bourget Airport in Paris after flying in from London.

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A.E. Hotchner, who collaborated with Day on her memoir, said she had a "sweet and sour" existence and never let her personal difficulties "change her attitude toward people."

"She was such a positive, absolutely enchanting woman," he told The Associated Press on Monday. "And she was so loved."

Day received a Presidential Medal of Freedom in 2004. Although mostly retired from show business since the 1980s, she still had enough of a following that a 2011 collection of previously unreleased songs, "My Heart," hit the top 10 in the United Kingdom. The same year, she received a lifetime achievement honor from the Los Angeles Film Critics Association.

The Humane Society of the United States, of which The Doris Day Animal League is an affiliate, praised Day as a pioneer in animal protection.

In 1987, Day "founded one of the first national animal protection organizations dedicated to legislative remedies for the worst animal abuse," said the league's executive director, Sara Amundson. Her foresight "led to dozens of bills, final rules and policies on the federal level," which

helped end abusive videos, protect chimpanzees from invasive research and regulate the online sale of puppies.

"She is an icon in the animal protection world and will be sorely missed for her singular advocacy," Amundson said.

Paul McCartney, a friend, called Day "a true star in more ways than one."

"Visiting her in her Californian home was like going to an animal sanctuary where her many dogs were taken care of in splendid style," he said in a statement.

"She had a heart of gold and was a very funny lady who I shared many laughs with."

He cited films like "Calamity Jane," "Move Over, Darling" and others and said he would "always remember her twinkling smile and infectious laugh."

Day "was kind and decent, onscreen and off; she maintained her friendship with Rock Hudson after his AIDS diagnosis, in a climate of fear and abandonment — one of his last appearances was on a TV show with her," playwright Paul Rudnick tweeted.

Born to a music teacher and a housewife in Cincinnati, Day dreamed of a dance career but at age

12 broke her leg badly when a car in which she was traveling was hit by a train. Listening to the radio while recuperating, she began singing along with Ella Fitzgerald, "trying to catch the subtle ways she shaded her voice, the casual yet clean way she sang the words."

Day began singing at a Cincinnati radio station, then a nightclub, then in New York. A bandleader changed her name to Day after the song "Day after Day" to fit it on a marquee. A marriage at 17 to trombonist Al Jordan ended when, she said, he beat her when she was eight months' pregnant. She gave birth to her son, Terry, in early 1942. Her second marriage also was short-lived. She returned to Les Brown's band after the first marriage broke up.

Her Hollywood career began after she sang at a Hollywood party in 1947. After early stardom as a band singer and a stint at Warner Bros., Day won the best notices of her career with 1955's "Love Me or Leave Me," the story of songstress Ruth Etting and her gangster husband-manager. She followed with "The Man Who Knew Too Much," starring with James Stewart as

an innocent couple ensnared in an international assassination plot. She sang "Que Sera, Sera" just as the story reached its climax.

But she found her greatest success in slick, stylish sex comedies, beginning with 1959's Oscar-nominated "Pillow Talk," in which she and Hudson played two New Yorkers who shared a telephone party line. It was the first of three films with Hudson.

In "That Touch of Mink," she turned back advances from Grant and in "The Thrill of It All" played a housewife who gains fame as a TV pitchwoman to the chagrin of obstetrician husband James Garner.

The nation's theater owners voted her the top money-making star in 1960, 1962, 1963 and 1964.

Her first singing hit was the 1945 smash "Sentimental Journey," when she was barely in her 20s. Among the other songs she made famous were "Everybody Loves a Lover," "Secret Love," and "It's Magic," a song from her first film, "Romance on the High Seas." Critic Gary Giddins called her "the coolest and sexiest female singer of slow-ballads in movie history."

Day was cast in "Romance on the High Seas" after Judy Garland and Betty Hutton bowed out. Warner Bros. cashed in on its new star with a series of musicals, including "My Dream Is Yours," "Tea for Two" and "Lullaby of Broadway." Her dramas included "Young Man with a Horn" and "Storm Warning."

Her last film was "With Six You Get Eggroll," a 1968 comedy about a widow and a widower who blend families.

In the 1960s, Day discovered that failed investments by her third husband, Martin Melcher, left her deeply in debt. She eventually won a multimillion-dollar judgment against their lawyer.

With movies trending toward more explicit sex, she turned to television to recoup her finances. "The Doris Day Show" was a moderate success in its 1968-1973 run on CBS. □

Two communities show Nubians' past, a version of the future

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WADI KARKAR, Egypt (AP)

— With a mix of nostalgia and sorrow, Egypt's Nubians look back at their lives in ancestral lands in southern Egypt as a peaceful era tied intimately to the Nile River.

Since their eviction in the 1960s to make way for the giant lake behind the Aswan High Dam, they have lived in desolate towns further north, often on the edge of the desert. Many in the community yearn to return to lands along the banks of Lake Nasser.

Two communities show the contrasts of the Nubians' fate — one pointing back to the Nubians' past, the other showing the state's fumbling attempts to find a substitute to quiet calls for a return to the old country.

HEISA ISLAND

The village of Heisa, home to around 2,000 people, offers a glimpse into what life was like for Nubians in their homeland before the upheavals of the last century. It is perched on an island in the Aswan reservoir, which was created by the building of a small dam in 1902. While other villages surrounding it were evacuated from the area, Heisa's people stayed, moving to higher ground. Most of their farmland was lost under water. Decades later, the Aswan High Dam was built upstream, sandwiching Heisa in between.

The air is clean and crisp on the island. The houses, built on rocky hills, are spacious and painted in bright



This May 9, 2018, photo shows the temple complex of Philae in Aswan, Egypt.

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colors, some with domes mirroring the traditional Nubian architecture.

In some places, the Nile stretches majestically for more than a mile into the distance to the surrounding desert shores. Children are out in the river on small boats in the afternoons as young men swim to cool off. Some of the villagers still practice old traditions like baptizing newborns in the Nile, grooms washing in its waters before their wedding or floating dishes of food for the river's mythical guardians.

Most of Heisa's men are government employees, usually going to work in Aswan in their boats, and then ferrying tourists around the river for extra cash. Dozens of traditional sailboats called feluccas are anchored at small docks around the island. Villagers grow fruit trees, mostly

keeping the crop to eat themselves.

Residents belong to some half dozen clans under a single tribe. It's like one big family.

There is only one doctor at the island's clinic. He comes from Mansoura in the Nile Delta, some 1,000 kilometers (625 miles) to the north. When he's on vacation, the island's sick have to seek treatment in Aswan. Water supply is rationed. Electricity was not introduced to the island until the 1980s. There is a primary school but for middle and high school, the children travel to nearby larger villages on the mainland.

On a recent evening, several villagers drank tea and chatted on a mustabah, a concrete block built against a house's outer wall and used as a bench where men and women separately meet to socialize.

"The centerpiece of a typical Nubian home is the mustabah," said Basheer Murakeb Mohammed, a 58-year-old government employee, as he sipped his glass of sweet tea with milk, a fixture for Nubians' sunset sittings.

"We don't feel isolated. We are here and we are happy to be here," he said.

WADI KARKAR:

Wadi Karkar, a complex built by the military in the

desert west of Lake Nasser, has been touted by the government as providing a "Return" for Nubians.

First opened in 2008, the colony has about 2,000 homes, and more are planned. There's a police station, post office and greenhouses that employ a few dozen people. With well-ordered symmetrical streets, it looks almost exactly like the innumerable other planned communities that have been built in the deserts around Cairo and elsewhere — except the houses are built in a modern concrete-brick-and-stone imitation of the traditional mud-brick Nubian style.

Authorities boast that it will eventually number some 30,000 people. Some Nubians qualify to receive homes there for free as compensation for past losses.

But so far, Wadi Karkar has fallen flat.

Fewer than 500 of the homes are occupied, and the streets in many parts feel deserted.

People have been reluctant to move in because of lack of jobs or services. The mobile signal is sketchy. Recently, a bus service between the colony and Aswan, some 25 kilometers (15 miles) away, was suspended because it wasn't economically feasible, according to residents.

"The problem here is development," said Mohammed Haroun. The 64-year-old moved here with his wife in 2014. He was 9 when his family was moved from their village of Daboud in 1963 and relocated to Kom Ombo, before later moving to Aswan.

Haroun said he's happy with Wadi Karkar. It's a pleasant place to retire after 40 years working at a state-run chemical factory, the air is clean, it's quiet, the electricity and water work, he explains. He grows peppers, basil and parsley in his little home garden and hangs out with other men his age after the sunset prayers.

"But there is no river here!" he said with a laugh. The shores of Lake Nasser are an 8-kilometer (5-mile) drive away. He remembered his childhood playing in the Nile and rituals like baptizing children in the river.

His six children and 10 grandchildren have not followed him to Wadi Karkar. They only visit.

"The government said this is Return, but it is not Return," he said. □



This May 7, 2018, photo shows the high dam in Aswan, Egypt.

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In this Friday, Sept. 29, 2017, photo, Nubian activist Waleed Toka poses for a photograph in Cairo, Egypt.

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